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annual savings of £4,000.

Councillor Nick Cornwell said the 367 could no longer be regarded as a town bus with such a thin coverage, and that he was concerned the service could be withdrawn completely in the future.

Deputy Mayor John Zarczynski added: "I think it is total madness. As we all know, the town is going to expand considerably over the next few years and we already have a shortage of public car parking.

"If anything, we should be looking at increasing bus services to reduce demand for people to use their cars.

"Otherwise, as the town grows, there is not going to be enough parking and there is not going to be a bus service."

Further reductions are planned for the 387 service, between Sidmouth and Taunton – Honiton's only direct link to the Somerset town.

And the 684 and 694 routes, which connect Honiton and its surrounding villages are also facing major cut-backs.

The Fare Car service – which supports people who do not live on bus routes – will also be reduced from six days a week to Tuesdays and Fridays only, under the proposals.

Devon County Council is looking to claw back £1.7 million from its public transport budget, as the cash-strapped authority tries to meet its savings targets.

It says the measures are "no longer avoidable" but has pledged to ensure that no community that is cur-

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■ AROUND 60 representatives from local voluntary and social sector organisations attended an event at The Beehive last week, tailored to helping community groups establish a foothold in the town. The 'Honiton Together' initiative, led by East Devon District Council, has received government support and aims to "open doors" for groups to access further funding. Representatives from organisation successful in their bids are pictured above with EDDC's Alex Gibson and Devon County Councillor Sara Randall Johnson: David Bibby, from Honiton Easy Read, Heather Penwarden, from Dementia Friendly Honiton, and Zoe Reed, from SPS Kickboxing



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Talented junior Bella Brown was awarded County Colours for her services to county tennis and for her part in Devon's victory in the National Under 18s Aegon Tennis County Cup and promotion last year.



◆ACES: Seaton's Derek Blackmore and Bella Brown

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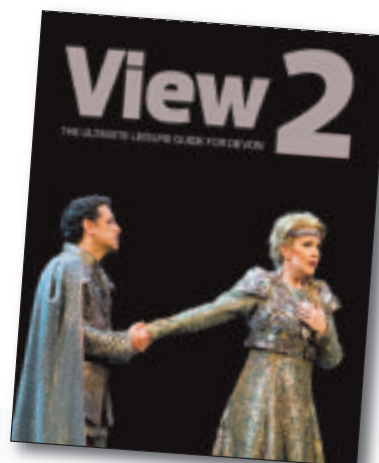
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OTTERY ST MARY: Eleven-year-old cellist Euan McWilliams took first place in Otter Valley Rotary's recent Youth Presents Music event



HONITON: Councillor Sharon Pavey is leading a campaign to improve equipment and facilities in the town's play parks



AXMINSTER: Fire station commander Ian Turner is celebrating moving into the town's revamped and expanded emergency services centre



SEATON: Ceri Rees of the Wild Running Club of Totnes won this year's Grizzly. See pages 11 and 47 for further coverage (as well as pages 1&4 of our Seaton edition)

Quotes of the week...

“We've really got to make an effort to make East Devon District Council look for places and not just wait for planning applications.”

Councillor Peter Burrows on the increasingly desperate hunt for another football pitch for Seaton Town FC

“A big thank you to the crew who help us; there are so many people that work behind the scenes.”

Dave Moore of Back To The Guildhall, who organised DJ Brandon Black's set in Axminster last month

“It's an amazing building and we are so excited as it means we can offer even more help to local people.”

“We'd love to show you around so you can see how your support will make a huge difference to people with life-limiting illnesses”

Hospiscare fundraiser Katie Chantler on the open days taking place at the new King's House Day Hospice in Honiton later this month

“We can see no logical reason why West Hill should be different from all these other villages and why its residents should not have the same level of representation”

Campaigner Ian Heard on West Hill's case for independence from Ottery St Mary

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TOP STORIES FROM ALL THE OTHER EAST DEVON TOWNS

AXMINSTER

New HQ for police and fire service

AXMINSTER'S firefighters are moving into their refurbished headquarters this week after spending a year in portable buildings.

Police officers will follow suit at the end of the month and move into the revamped and expanded emergency services centre. The joint venue will bring the two services closer together, bringing mutual benefits.

Axminster Fire Station had seen very little change since built in 1963. Work to upgrade and expand the facility started a year ago, but came to an abrupt halt in April when the contractor went into administration. The enforced break lasted for four months, but Axminster Fire Station Commander Ian Turner took possession of the site on Monday.

Some finishing touches are still to be applied, but the fire station will be operational no later than Friday this week.

Station Commander Turner said: "It means a great deal. It certainly is bigger and a far cry from where we were."

Apart from having more space, the firefighters now have a dedicated kit room and state-of-the-art cleaning facilities for their breathing apparatus.

Police Inspector Simon Weare said: "We hope to be in and fully operational by the end of March. We are looking forward to working out of these shared premises and serving the community of Axminster from our new base."

Axminster Neighbourhood Beat Manager PC Simon Aldred added: "It will be nice for us to work alongside the fire service. We will get a better understanding of what our services do and operate, which can only benefit us all."

Eleven firefighters and eight police officers will be based at the combined fire and police station. An open day is planned for April, with more details to be announced in due course.

From the editor's chair Hail the Grizzly mad-caps!



WHEN I first came back from London to edit *Pulman's Weekly News*, I thought that anyone who took part in the Grizzly had to be mad.

Nothing much has changed my mind since having seen the look of sheer agony on the faces of many of the runners as they cross the finishing line on Seaton seafront.

Those who finish the gruelling multi-terrain course, one of the toughest in Europe, certainly deserve that coveted T-shirt they get for completing the race.

But the Grizzly is much more than just a race for mad-cap athletes – it's grown and developed into one of Seaton's most significant and successful crowd-pullers.

The organisers, the Axe Valley Runners, do a superb job in organising the race and in recent years the town has made a real effort to turn the Grizzly Weekend into a real tourist attraction.

This past weekend was no exception. The race was as successful as ever, attracting runners from all over Europe, and the Saturday events programme added greatly to the overall atmos-

phere, enhancing Seaton's increasing reputation as a town which is definitely on the up.

Unfortunately, I was unable to see the race this year but my intrepid reporters, Anders Larsson and Jack Dixon, reported back that the weekend was an unqualified success.

And next year they have promised me they will be running the Grizzly after I promised to give them Christmas Day off!

♦ **STRANGE** how sometimes life takes a dramatic turn. There was I contemplating retirement and what I would do when I relinquish the editor's chair when suddenly I find myself launching four new newspapers for our parent company in London.

It was Samuel Johnson who said "if you're tired of London, you're tired of life". I certainly concur with that. Having worked in the capital for several years, I have always found the media scene in London exhilarating. Nothing's changed. Last week I returned home after a day in Ladbroke Grove to hear on the news that is where "Jihadi John" was brought up.

Philip Evans

SEATON

Hunt is on to find club new football pitch

SEATON town council will try to shake some life into attempts to find another pitch for Seaton Town FC.

It is stressed the council can't solve the problem on its own, but councilors have pledged to get the ball rolling by identifying the main players and bringing them to a meeting.

The promise was made during a meeting of the town council's planning committee on Monday, February 23rd.

The club's plight is well-known, only having one pitch at its Colyford Road base and being forced to rent out of town pitches.

Seaton Town FC can't accommodate the current amount of youth teams, let alone any potential expansion – and the adult sides can't progress any further up the league pyramid as the current pitch is too narrow.

Leasing its pitch from East Devon District Council (EDDC) means the club hasn't got the financial clout of nearby Axminster Town AFC, for example, which sold its Sector Lane ground to a developer as part of a deal to get new facilities.

In recent years, two larger planning applications incorporating football pitches have been turned down in Seaton, the most recent one on appeal last year.

EDDC is aware of the pitch problem, which is listed in the Draft East Devon Playing Pitch Strategy.

Under the heading of Who Should Deliver The Action, the report lists the club, EDDC, The FA, Sport England and Seaton Town Council.

The draft strategy was discussed by the town council's planning committee last week.

OTTERY ST MARY

'Black alerts' fuel hospital anger

HOSPITAL campaigners have renewed their calls to keep in-patient beds in Ottery St Mary, following a series of 'black alerts' issued at hospitals across the South West.

Those fighting the proposals to move the beds away from Ottery and close its minor injuries unit say the crisis – which saw the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital stretched to breaking point last week – underlines the importance of keeping community services closer to home.

Last week the RD&E spent a day on 'black alert' – the highest level warning status, issued when a hospital can no longer cope with the number of patients coming into the accident and emergency department.

The Save Our Ottery Hospital campaign (SOOH), which has led the fight against plans to transfer facilities away from the town, says the pressure on larger hospitals highlights the vital role played by services in the community.

Campaign spokesman Philip Algar said: "The difficulties for the NHS across the country this winter demonstrate that this is not the time to be pulling vital services out of communities."

HONITON

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New scheme will support community projects

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AN "INSPIRATIONAL" partnership project is helping community organisations in Honiton to get off the ground.

Around 60 representatives from local voluntary and social sector organisations attended an event at The Beehive last week, tailored to helping community groups establish a foothold in the town.

The 'Honiton Together' initiative, led by East Devon District Council, has received government support and aims to "open doors" for groups to access further funding.

A 'discovery day' event was held in the town recently, which gave visitors the chance to share expertise, discuss the future of various projects and pitch for funding during a 'Dragons' Den' session.

A string of local organisations cashed in after making their case to a panel of judges, with funding pledged to the Honiton Easy Read scheme, the Dementia Friendly Honiton initiative, the Honiton Learning Community, the Otter Rotters and SPS Kickboxing.

Representatives from the Big Lottery also attended the event to advise groups on the best ways to seek funding, while visitors from the Transition Town scheme discussed the concept of community cohesion in supporting fledgling initiatives.

Honiton Community College,

the Federation of Small Businesses and Public Health Devon were also invited to the networking event at the town's new community centre.

Councillor Jill Elson, EDDC's cabinet member for sustainable homes and communities, said: "I am delighted that this groundbreaking event was such a resounding success."

"I would like to congratulate all involved in organising the day, including EDDC's community development team."

"The feedback from the day has been very positive and I am confident that community cohesion in Honiton will go from strength to strength as we move forward with some of the projects that were showcased at this event."

Improved play facilities on the way

COUNCILLORS are reaching the final stages of a project to improve equipment and facilities in Honiton's play parks.

Project leaders will meet with East Devon District Council officers in the next few weeks to finalise the plans, after children from both of the town's primary schools were asked what improvements they would like to see.

Honiton Town Council has been awarded a total of £50,000 to invest in play facilities and an extensive consultation process has involved a range of ideas being submitted by residents and the children themselves.

One idea that has been suggested is for a zip-wire to be constructed on the field next to the Honiton Bowling Club in Streamers Meadows, but a number of options are still on the table.

Councillor Sharon Pavey has been leading the project on behalf of Honiton Town Council, with the help of Councillor Les Bayliss and Councillor Jackie Wadsworth.

"The children at both Honiton Primary and Littleton Primary Academy have highlighted the types of play equipment they like, and we have selected several play areas to be looked at," said Councillor Pavey.

"The next stage is working with EDDC to finalise the play areas and then they will come up with some options for play equipment based on what the children liked. We will then go back to the schools to choose the final pieces."

Money for the improvements has been collected from the contributions of housing developers following recent building projects in the town.

And Councillor Pavey said it had been one of her personal ambitions as a town councillor to see the scheme through to completion.

"This has to be one of the most exciting things I have been involved with in my four years on Honiton Town Council," she said.

"Being able to spend over £50,000 on improving facilities for the children in the town is fabulous."

"We are working closely with the schools to ensure the children get exactly what they want."



■ COUNCILLOR Sharon Pavey is leading a project to improve play facilities in Honiton's parks

Teen guilty of attack

A HONITON teenager has been handed a suspended jail sentence after attacking a stranger in the town centre on Christmas Eve.

Appearing at Exeter Magistrates' Court recently, 19-year-old Freddy Jones pleaded guilty to the offence, described as a "very nasty unprovoked attack".

The victim required urgent dental treatment after the attack, which took place in High Street late on Christmas Eve last year.

Mr Jones was given a 12-week custodial sentence, suspended for 18 months, as well as 60 hours unpaid community work and a supervision order.

He has also been ordered to pay £500 in compensation and to reimburse his victim for medical costs.

In addition to the attack, the 19-year-old pleaded guilty to a further offence of breaching the conditions of his anti-social behaviour order on the same evening.

Town bus at risk from cuts

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rently served by a bus is completely cut off.

The changes to Honiton services will see many routes withdrawn on a Saturday, sparking concern that the street market will pay the price.

Councillor John Taylor said the cuts were "nonsensical" and that Saturday services were being "wiped out".

Councillor Peter Corke warned that residents in the villages surrounding Honiton, who rely on public transport to access essential facilities in the town, will

be "in trouble" without regular buses.

Councillor Zarczynski added: "This has been ill thought out – it is not about service, it is purely about cost-cutting."

"What they are doing is totally disregarding the needs of people in Honiton and looking at the balance sheet. There is an agenda behind this."

A consultation on the proposals will run until April 20th. For more information about the proposals or to respond to the consultation, visit new.devon.gov.uk/publictransportbudget

Local MPs raising the plight of our community hospitals in Westminster

MP Neil Parish raised the case of community hospitals – and Axminster in particular – in the House of Commons.

He asked the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Health, George Freeman MP, about the future role of community hospitals in Devon and also made the case for Axminster Hospital's in-patient beds to reopen.

Although no promises were given, the Parliamentary Under-Secretary agreed that community hospitals could play a key

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role in supporting patient convalescence.

The in-patient beds at Axminster Hospital were transferred to Seaton Hospital on a temporary basis early this year because of staffing levels.

Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust has since launched a recruitment campaign with Axminster Hospital League of Friends and Axminster Hospital Action Group to find enough

nurses so the beds can be brought back.

But the long-term future remains unclear as NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group may concentrate in-patient beds to only three hospitals, which would mean an in-patient bed closure in Axminster.

During the House of Commons debate on February 24th, Mr Parish asked Mr Freeman what assessment his department has made of the future role of community hospitals.

Mr Freeman replied: "Community hospitals can play a hugely important role in the 21st century NHS."

"The NHS 'Five Year Forward View' explicitly recognised the role of smaller hospitals, including community hospitals, as part of the new care models towards which we need to evolve."

"Specific local commissioning decisions are rightly taken by local clinical commissioning groups, reflecting local need."

Mr Parish said: "We have excellent hospitals in Tiverton, Honiton, Axminster and Seaton, and there could be a much greater link between them and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust."

"For example, patients could be moved to the community hospital in Axminster after acute operations, thereby creating space at the RD&E and keeping Axminster Hospital open with beds, which the population is keen to see."

The reply from Mr Freeman was: "I pay tribute to my honourable friend for his tireless work on this matter."

"I know that he recently met the Secretary of State to discuss it and that he has been very active locally and here in Parliament."

"He is right that local community hospitals can play a key role in supporting patient convalescence, providing particularly good care in the community close to home, which is convenient for elderly patients, and relieving pressure on acute hospital beds."

"You do not have to take it from me, Mr Speaker; take it from Simon Stevens, the chief executive of NHS England."

"He recently said: 'A number of other countries have found it possible to run viable local hospitals serving smaller communities



■ EAST Devon MP Hugo Swire (right) with Secretary of State for Health Jeremy Hunt

than sometimes we think are sustainable in the NHS.

"The NHS needs to abandon a fixation with 'mass centralisation'."

● EAST Devon MP Hugo Swire met with the Secretary of State for Health, Jeremy Hunt, on February 10th, to press him on matters relating to East

Devon's healthcare. At the meeting, which was also attended by fellow Devon MPs Mel Stride and Neil Parish, Mr Swire voiced his opposition to plans to close inpatient beds at Ottery St Mary Hospital.

Mr Swire also backed the NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group's (CCG) intention to switch providers from North Devon Healthcare Trust to Royal Exeter and Devon Foundation Trust (RD&EFT) having recognised RD&EFT as the preferred provider.

Mr Swire also urged the Secretary of State to ensure that the ongoing Monitor investigation into the transfer is 'concluded as quickly as possible'.

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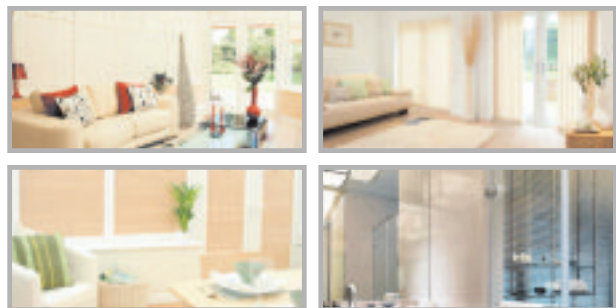
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Day hospice open days set for this month

HOSPISCARE'S brand new £1.2m King's House Day Hospice in Honiton will open its doors to the wider public twice next month.

After a low key opening on February 10th, members of the public will have the opportunity to have a look inside during opening days on Saturday, March 14th and Friday, March 27th from 10am to 3pm on both days.

Hospiscare head of fundrais-

by Jack Dixon
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ing, Katie Chantler, issued the invite by saying: "Come and have cuppa with us.

"We'd love to show you around so you can see how your support will make a huge difference to people with life-limiting illnesses.

"It's an amazing building and we are so excited as it means we can offer even more help to local

people. We are so grateful to all the wonderful fundraisers who have already raised £275,000 towards our appeal - £25,000 over our target. Thank you so much."

Hospiscare specialist nurses previously based at the town's hospital are now enjoying a spacious new office as well as very welcome new chairs.

Hospiscare day care services previously provided in Seaton have transferred to the new centre.

The heart of the centre is a large multi-purpose comfortable and flexible lounge with stylish homely soft furnishings.

There is also a quiet room for contemplation or conversation, an education room, a consultation and therapy treatment room.

A popular room will be the assisted bathroom with therapeutic mood lighting, water massage and music for luxurious baths and personal care.

There are also educational facilities for the training of health-care professionals and students.

Patients will have access to palliative care specialists for support, advice or treatment.

Hospiscare announced the £1.2m project in 2012 and received a grant of £510,000 from NHS England as well as generous pledges from its sister charities, Budleigh, Exmouth and Sidmouth Hospiscare.

The £250,000 appeal paid towards equipping and furnishing the building.

On opening day, patients spent the morning chatting and looking around the centre before en-

joying a hot lunch cooked on the premises.

Patients described the new building as "superb, brilliant and cosy", and the highlight of the day was a delicious lunch.

Roy Sims, 50, from Seaton, said: "This new day hospice has got everything you could wish for and more.

"Everything has been done thoughtfully and is top quality.

"It's superb and is an absolute credit to Hospiscare and a brilliant resource for the community."

■ HOUSEWARMING: Patients, staff and volunteers relaxing in the comfy lounge



District council recommends Stout Farm plans for approval

PLANS to convert an agricultural outbuilding into annexe accommodation at Stout Farm in Honiton are set to be approved, despite objections raised by local councillors.

Officers at East Devon District Council have advised planning chiefs to green light the proposals, even though town councillors have raised concerns that the development would be unsustainable and intrude into a neighbouring property.

Councillor Phil Twiss, district councillor for the Honiton St Michael's ward said he was unable to support the application.

"The existing building is unsubstantial and my concern is that 'conversion' of an agricul-

tural building of this type amounts to new development in a highly protected area situated in an arguably unsustainable location with no proven requirement or need for residential use," he said.

But a report to be presented to members of EDDC's development management committee recommends approval of the application.

It says the design would have "no discernible impact" on the surrounding area of outstanding natural beauty and highlights steps taken by the applicant to limit loss of privacy to the neighbouring property.

Councillors will reach a decision at a meeting today (Tuesday).

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Alan made charity VP

HONITON resident Alan Rowe MBE has been appointed vice-president of the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families' Association (SSAFA) Devon.

by Jack Dixon
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Mr Rowe has worked closely with SSAFA through



VICE PRESIDENT:
Alan Rowe MBE

his own service personnel-supporting charity, The Baton.

Mr Rowe said: "SSAFA doesn't have the glamorous image or profile of other military charities, but I consider it a constant linchpin where help is needed, a true conduit for support and assistance across all aspects for service personnel and their families.

"So many people in desperate situations would not have been helped if SSAFA caseworkers hadn't been involved. Thousands have received the humanity that we would all hope for from this very caring organisation; to see just what an incredible service they offer go to www.ssafa.org.uk

"I am very proud and honoured to be offered this role with such dedicated people and will continue to promote all that SSAFA does, especially through the Baton's association."

Mr Rowe is a barber by trade but is probably better known for his work in the community and sterling fundraising for good causes.

His achievements and awards include The Queen's Award for Volunteers (2011)

and Honiton Honoured Citizen (2010).

Mr Rowe takes a great interest in running and has been the president of Honiton Running Club since 2006.

He founded The Baton in 2009 and is the organisation's president.

The Baton describes itself as "a symbol of national conscience".

Describing its mission, Mr Rowe said: "The primary mission of The Baton is to raise and maintain awareness within the British public about the reality of life for service personnel and their families in the British Armed Forces and to ensure that they are given the level of support that they are rightfully due.

"The Baton's aim is not to compete with existing forces charities – rather we aim to complement the activities of those charities by focusing on raising awareness about the issues, so providing them with additional support and backing."

More information about The Baton is available online at www.thebaton.co.uk

Sale of the century

A COLLECTION of rare and high-quality examples of Honiton pottery spanning the 20th century is to go under the hammer next week.

Assembled over many decades, the collection includes a number of unusual pieces with many examples of work by renowned Honiton potter Charles Collard, who ran a business in the town from 1918 until his retirement in 1947.

Collard is best known for his colourful and complex designs, mostly produced between the First and Second World Wars.

Other items of note include pieces produced by Forster and Hunt, who owned the pottery in the early 1900s, a range of 14-inch diameter chargers and rare examples of the pottery's 'Sweetpea' pattern.

The items will be up for sale at the next Chilcotts auction on Friday, March 13th and staff believe they could attract some interest among buyers.

"When we unwrapped the contents of the boxes we were excited to discover a number of items that we don't often see, particularly a group of pottery animals," said auctioneer Liz Chilcott, who has previously catalogued two other private collections of Honiton pottery.

"The Sweetpea design was created and only ever painted by Joan Collard, daughter of Charles – she confirmed this to us when she came to one of our auctions.

"We recently discovered that Joan is celebrating her 100th birthday in April, and we hope the sale will be a fitting tribute to her creative talent. We know there will be a lot of interest in Joan's designs."

Although pottery has been made in Honiton since the middle of the mid-17th century, most items were made during the 20th century, before the business finally closed in the early 1990s.

Auctioneer Duncan Chilcott added: "Honiton pottery is made from a fairly soft clay and, consequently, it can easily be chipped.

"When we studied the individual articles, we were delighted by the lack of imperfections. This collection has been well looked after."

The collection is so comprehensive that the 75 lots in the March sale represent only a handful of the items assembled. The second set will be sold later in the year.

Auctioneers expect the items to fetch anywhere from £30 to £150 when they go under the hammer at Chilcotts' showroom in Silver Street next Saturday (March 13th) at 10:30am.



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Charity shops fashion show

SEATON Royal British Legion will hold a charity shop fashion show on Wednesday March 11th at Seaton Gateway.

Doors will open at 6.30pm and there will be a licensed bar plus hot drinks and a raffle.

The shops taking part are Seaton Hospice Care Support Team, Seaton Red Cross, Seaton Brainwave and Seaton Hospital League of Friends, which will all have sale rails.

Tickets are available from these shops and will also be for sale on the door at £2.50 each.

For further or general enquiries, please contact Ray Evans on 01297 624313.

Heritage grant

AXE Valley Heritage Association (AVHA), which runs Seaton Museum, has been granted £300 by the town council. The application was approved during Seaton Town Council's February meeting. The association is run on an entirely voluntary basis, the main focus being the running of the museum.

Part of the application said: "There is engagement with people from all over the world, directly and by e-mail, and also with people who come here to Seaton when the Axe Valley area was the origin of their family."

"The museum operates as the first port of call for the overseas visitors with local connections."

The grant was approved, and town councillor John Meakin said: "The museum is an important part of the town, as is the association."

Grizfest grant

ONE of Seaton's major annual events has been granted £200 by the town council. Axe Valley Runners successfully applied for the grant to help pay for its Grizfest, the festival which surrounds the Grizzly race.

According to the application, the total cost to stage the festival is £2,200. Town councillor John Meakin said: "They are not asking for an outrageous amount. I propose we give them £200."

Councillor Tony Woodman agreed, and said: "They do a fantastic job. "Seaton would be a poorer place without the Grizzly."

Lollipop lady Rita is saved

by Kevin Fahey

SEATON Primary School head teacher Mrs Kate McFarlane has welcomed the decision to postpone the move to axe the lollipop lady.

Pulman's reported last month that Rita Hallett, who has been safeguarding the safety of the children crossing the busy Valley View for 22 years, was to lose her job as part of the cutbacks to the

budget at Devon County Council.

But county officials have given the service a stay of execution for at least a year which will give Mrs McFarlane, chairman of governors Jim Knight, who represents Seaton Coastal on Devon County Council and Seaton Town Council to look at future options when they meet this week.

"We are really pleased with the decision," said Mrs McFarlane.

"The decision to withdraw the lollipop lady is not as sudden as we thought and it has given us some breathing space."

"It (the lollipop service) is huge for us. It is not just helping the children across the road of course but the sense of safety it brings and we have had our lollipop lady for many years."

While also welcoming the decision Cllr Knight said it was now vital that all the interested parties pushed ahead to find an alternative source of funding for the service when it is finally removed in 2016.

"We have to try and see if we can find a sponsor, like a Bradfords (Building Supplies) or Tesco, to support the service in the future or maybe Seaton Town Council can take it on as the children using it are from Seaton," said Cllr Knight.

"The pressure is off for the moment but we need to move forward and look at other solutions."

Cllr Knight said council officials deserved credit for listening to objections to the sudden withdrawal of funding as it would have left little time to plan for a replacement service.

A spokesman from Devon County Council issued the following statement.

"The Council has found extra funding to maintain the school crossing patrol service,

at current levels, for the coming year.

"During that time, we will be consulting with schools to explore different funding models that would enable patrols to continue after March 2016. Where schools can support the patrols financially, the Council will continue to provide training and equipment."



Commonwealth 'Fly a Flag' day

SEATON will play a part in Fly A Flag For The Commonwealth on Monday, March 9th.

Under the slogan of "Uniting A Family Of Nations In Common Purpose" the aim is to "celebrate the true value of the Commonwealth as an increasingly multi-cultural world seeks unity, understanding and tolerance".

Seaton town clerk Chris Drake said in a report: "Organisations from all 53 Commonwealth countries are invited to raise the Commonwealth flag to create a multi-cultural event across time zones."

"With the support of The National Association of Local Authorities, town councils are included for the first time."

"The flag will be raised on Windsor Gardens at 10am on Monday March 9th and be lowered at 10am the following day as per the protocol for the event."

"Mr Stuart Leach of The Royal British Legion has kindly agreed to arrange for the flag to be raised, and it is proposed that the Mayor will raise the flag after reading the Commonwealth Affirmation."

Advertiser's Announcement



Axminster Health & Wellbeing Centre

There's a lot happening at the Centre! New therapies now available

JAYNE Palmer, our Medical Herbalist, is at the Centre every Monday from 2pm – 7pm. Modern herbal medicine is the use of plant extracts, the oldest and most widely used form of medicine known, combined with up to date scientific research to treat today's common health complaints, maladies and disease. As well as regular appointments, Jayne is currently offering a free drop-in clinic.

Jane Van Spyk offers Kinesiology and Zero Balancing. Kinesiology makes use of muscle testing techniques to monitor the flow of energy through the body. A wide range of techniques are then used to guide you back to optimum health. Zero Balancing is a mind-body system of hands on therapy during which clients can experience deep relaxation and an overall improvement in well-being. Jane is offering half hour taster sessions for £15.00.

Ranbir Virk practises the traditional Chinese deep tissue massage, Tui Na. During a Tui Na session the client remains fully clothed while the therapist uses a range of techniques to relax muscles and clear blockages within the body's physical and energy systems. Tui Na can help with many health conditions or be used as a form of relaxation.

Osteopathy is now available at the Centre. Osteopathy is a system of diagnosis and treatment for a wide range of medical conditions and is based on the principle that the wellbeing of an individual depends on the skeleton, muscles, ligaments and connective tissues functioning smoothly together. It is a modern and effective form of health care.

Cancer Information Point

We held a very well attended meeting on Thursday 12th February – thank you to all who attended. Many good ideas were shared and the next meeting will be on Thursday 12th March 2.15-4pm. Please come along if you have been affected by cancer and need support or if you can volunteer some time and ideas.

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Actor James baldly goes...

by Kevin Fahey

WHEN it comes to method acting aspiring Beer actor James Williams is clearly a cut above the best.

When the 15-year-old's new role in the play Hospital Food by Lyme Youth Theatre at the Marine Theatre called for him to play a teenage cancer patient Williams had no hesitation in going for the realistic look.

"The description for the play was for the teenager to have very short hair or completely shaved and when no-one else wanted to do it I thought it would be good if I went for it," said Williams.

"Then other people suggested that if I

was going to shave off my hair I ought to do it for charity and the obvious one was the Teenage Cancer Trust."

For Williams, who is a student at Axe Valley School in Axminster, it was a big call as he previously had long, flowing locks but for his art he was prepared to go the extra mile.

"It was a massive decision for me," admitted Williams.

"I couldn't watch it when it was being done and initially I had a grade 2 cut but

when I saw the results I told them to carry on and give it a grade 1. It is like a military buzz cut now."

The ultimate short-back-and-sides had the full support of the teachers at school and the reaction from his mates has been positive.

"Most of them say, wow that's cool!" added Williams. "I think some of the teachers might be doing it as well now to raise money for the charity."

But Williams admitted that the new, smooth look has come with a price.

"I have had to wear a hat as my head feels so cold now!" said Williams.



To donate money to the Teenage Cancer Trust text RGFL53 to 70070 and the amount you want to give.

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■ FUCHSIA Fashions in Seaton treated customers to food and drink to celebrate the completion of its refurbishment. Mayor Gaynor Sedgwick attended the event and said: "It has been completely transformed and looks a different place. I'm sure it will go from strength-to-strength." Edgington's Pantry provided the food for the celebration, which was held on Friday, February 27th. Mayor Sedgwick (left) is photographed with Chloe Lund, Nick Gratton, Fiona Lund, Simon Lund and Wendy Brogan of Genesis Vintage Interiors who helped design the look of the new shop

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News in brief

Online advice

PEOPLE living in and around East Devon can benefit from a website offering free advice and information.

The website, www.adviceeastdevon.org.uk, has been set up by Advice East Devon Partnership.

East Devon Citizens Advice Bureau district manager Chris Griffiths, said: "The project gives us an opportunity to work closely with other charities in the region, giving a more joined up service to our clients."

"The website is a great tool, offering them an extra resource to help find the information they need."

"We would say to anyone who is seeking advice to use the Advice East Devon website as their first port of call."

"One of the great facilities on this site is the fact that people can use it to ask any questions they may have and these can be directed to the right organisation. It is also a great resource for us to extend advice—giving into the rural parts of East Devon."

Forget me not

A REMINISCENCE service operating in Axe Valley is on the lookout for more volunteers and memorabilia.

The Forget Me Not Service is run by East Devon Volunteer Support Agency and has received funding from Axminster Hospital League of Friends and the Awards For All programme.

Teams of volunteers visit care homes, sheltered accommodation, community halls and memory cafes to stage reminiscence groups, refreshing the memories of older people by connecting them with their past. Community sessions are offered on a donation basis, and residential settings pay a fee towards costs.

Those interested in volunteering or contributing items for the memory boxes can call Gill on 01404 549 045 or e-mail gill.amos@edvsa.org.uk

Local Plan process speeded up

A GOVERNMENT inspector has forced East Devon District Council (EDDC) to speed up its Local Plan process and publish the Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) earlier than planned.

Council bosses previously said that further delays to the East Devon Local Plan were "inevitable" and the next steps would have to wait until after the May elections.

With the elections looming, EDDC said the process could be seen as being "politically motivated". But in a statement issued on Friday, February 27th, EDDC announced a change.

EDDC Leader, Councillor Paul Diviani, explained: "The SHMA is the remaining key piece of evidence that enables us to produce an objectively assessed housing need for the district and to move forward with the Local Plan."

"We had previously envisaged that the upcoming election would prevent progress being made until May."

"However, the inspector has made it clear that he expects to see the proposed changes to the Local Plan by mid-April and we must adhere to his timescale, as the process to move forward is led by him. We anticipate adopting our Local Plan by the end of 2015."

An EDDC spokesperson added: "Before the end of

District council tax share to stay

EAST Devon District Council's (EDDC) cut of council tax has been frozen for a fifth year in a row.

The council's precept for 2015/16 has been set at £6.73m, resulting in a council tax Band D charge of £121.78.

One of the reasons for the freeze is a rare increase in central government funding.

March members of the Development Management Committee (DMC) and full council will meet to consider any revisions to the Local Plan, including proposed housing numbers."

"Following full council, any changes will be incorporated into the report and the final version will be submitted to the inspector."

"From mid-April to the end of May, the views of

councillors and the public will be sought through consultation, using questions provided by the inspector. The consultation period will be followed by oral examination sessions in August/September."

The SHMA is a multi-authority commission by East Devon, Exeter, Mid Devon and Teignbridge Councils and Dartmoor National Park Authority, with Devon County Council also being a partner.

Plenty of interest in hospital vacancies

THE interviewing process is well underway following recruitment days in Axminster and Seaton to find nurses and healthcare assistants for the two towns' hospitals.

A total of 153 prospective employees attended two recruitment days at Axminster and Seaton hospitals in February as work continues to re-open the in-patient beds at Axminster community hospital.

The beds at Axminster have been temporarily closed since January due to concerns over lone-working and reduced nursing levels.

During the consultation, the Axminster League of Friends offered the trust up to £300,000 to look at ways to eradicate lone working and retain the beds at Axminster.

Members of Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (NDHT) and the Leagues of Friends in Axminster and Seaton have been working together to recruit full-time and part-time nurses to safely re-open 16 beds in Axminster.

The equivalent of 11 extra

nurses are needed to achieve this; 29 registered nurses attended the open days, seven of whom have already applied and been interviewed, with two more days of interviews planned between now and March 11th.

With approximately 800 nursing vacancies across Devon and Cornwall, the NHS says it has to "think creatively and laterally" about how to recruit nurses.

An NDHT spokesperson said: "Working in partnership with the local community in Axminster and Seaton has had a hugely positive impact because new staff realise they will be joining a service that enjoys the absolute support and passion of the local community."

Steve Holt, the chairman of the working group and treasurer of Axminster Hospital League of Friends, said: "The level of interest at the open days was very encouraging; it makes the target of re-opening the in-patient unit look more and more achievable."

Tina Naldrett, deputy director of nursing for NDHT, added: "We

are thrilled at the level of interest shown at these recruitment open days."

"It really goes to show the difference that working closely with your local community can make."

"As far as we know, we are the only Trust in the area working together with Leagues of Friends in this way to address staffing shortages."

"We are committed to working in partnership in order to re-open the beds in Axminster safely."

As the recruitment drive continues, further open days are scheduled on March 13th and 23rd in Barnstaple and Tiverton.

But the long-term future remains unclear as NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group may concentrate in-patient beds to only three hospitals, which would mean an in-patient bed closure in Axminster.

The NDHT has, however, said it is confident it will have enough work for any newly recruited staff affected should a permanent bed closure occur.

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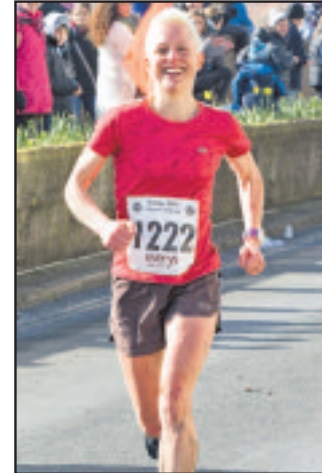
Thousands take on the Grizzly!

ABOUT two thousand runners from across the country took on the gruelling Grizzly in Seaton on Sunday. The 20-mile race took the runners across the beach, through muddy bogs and up steep cliffs. Ceri Rees (Wild Running of Totnes) came first in a time of two hours, 17 minutes and Clare Prosser (Wells City Harriers) was the first woman home in two hours, 38. Four Axe Valley Runners came within the top ten - Matthew Clist in third place, Liam Roberts in fifth, James Green in seventh and Tim Lenton in 8th. See page 47 for full report.

Photos by IAN BARRADALE and JACK DIXON



■ TRICKY TERRAIN: Runners make their way along the beach



■ WINNERS: First place Ceri Reese from the Wild Running Club and first woman home Calre Prosser from Wells City Harriers



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Axmouth children's panto a sell-out

AXMOUTH Village Hall hosted two sell out performances of the Pantomime Sleeping Beauty, specially written for Axmouth Children's Theatre (ACT) by director Malcolm Henty.

Both nights provided the audiences with lots of laughs as they were treated to allegedly 'The True Story'.

The newly formed backstage crew and the young enthusiastic cast produced shows that were well received.

Boasting an all-children cast with an av-

erage age of 11 there were some truly memorable moments.

It was soon discovered that Fairy Orrible, brilliantly portrayed by Lilley Smitham, was the cause of Sleeping Beauty's (Jessica Spiller) problems.

Matt Real as Prince Ferdinand saved the day but only after crashing the royal party with his sidekick Rumpel (Elwin Moss) as the legendary Sonny and Cher.

The return of Amber Snell as the Royal Nanny saw another fine performance as did

Callum Wood as Mr W F Wolfman 3rd.

The scene with the red roses on Saturday night had everyone in fits of laughter, including the cast.

Beth Perry and Euan Hartnell as the King and Queen both did really well and The King's duet with the Wolf was another highlight.

Co-Director and choreographer Beth Wood also played the Fairy Godmother trying to keep her chief fairy Imogen Oldfield and the other fairies Mali Glover, Avie Moss, Summer Perry, Nieve Hartnell and Lotte Thorpe (who also played Red Riding Hood) under control.

The songs were mostly sung by the fairies and ranged from traditional to current charts.

All in all it was a memorable couple of nights which everyone enjoyed. Praising the young cast Malcolm said: "They all seemed to really enjoy doing this panto, rehearsals have been fun, they have been a great cast to work with."

Backstage crew were Bex Smitham (Piano), Howard Moss (Lights), Props (Dennis & Rosy Hall), Box Office (Doris Clement) Stage Crew (Lindsay, Trudi, Yvonne, Jane, Karina, Cheryl), Hair and Make Up (Jodie Smith & Taylor West), Teas (Axmouth WI)

The cast hope to do another show later in the year followed by another Pantomime in 2016.



THE FAIRIES performed most of the musical interludes



THE YOUNG cast members provided a memorable couple of nights

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SIDMOUTH

SIDMOUTH Flower Arrangement Club met in January when new Chairperson Sheila Baker welcomed professional Launceston florist Charlotte Le Marquand for her demonstration 'What's in the Box?' Charlotte was very informative about plant material and arranging techniques. Her designs used large and striking containers but a favourite was the finale which was very contemporary – at least for Sidmouth.

The Club meets again for the Annual Members Lunch in February and then on March 24th for the next demonstration at St Francis Hall at 2pm. New members and visitors are always welcome.

HONITON

MEMBERS and visitors to Honiton Art Society's February Meeting were full of admiration for artist Graham Cox, who produced two delightful pastel paintings in just over an hour, using pencil sketches from his own photos and sharing the techniques used.



The society next meets on March 9th in Awliscombe Village Hall at 2-4pm when Peter Goodhall will give a critique of members work.

The next demonstration is on April 13th when Annette Burkitt will be painting a portrait in gouache. All are welcome, entry fee £2 for visitors.

HONITON

THE February meeting of Honiton's University of the Third Age (U3A) welcomed Tony Simpson who spoke on Admiral Thomas Cochrane – 10th Earl of Dundonald, MP for Honiton and the inspiration for both C.S. Forester's Horatio Hornblower and the Patrick O'Brian novels on which the film 'Master and Commander' starring Russell Crowe was based.

It was as a radical and reforming politician that Cochrane established links with Honiton, a borough with a long-standing reputation for a 'corrupt and venal voting system'. Cochrane later became MP for Westminster, but he was accused of fraud and sent to prison, but escaped.

After time in South America he again stood for Parliament and was eventually pardoned, his Knighthood restored and he was promoted to Admiral of the Fleet.

Sadly the only picture in Honiton to illustrate this remarkable man hangs in Weatherspoons (The Star Inn) next to the toilets!

AXMINSTER

BRUCE Upton, Bridport Museum's Community Engagement Officer, entertained and educated members of the Axminster History Society at their February meeting with 'A History of Rope and Net Making'.

He explained how the region provided perfect conditions to grow the flax and hemp on which the industry was founded, possibly as long ago as Roman times. Clear evidence of the importance of supplies of rope and net to the navy was given in King John's 1211 contract with Bridport to 'make rope night and day' – it remains the town's biggest industry. The meeting heard that specialist work for the military continues and, along the way, nets for Wimbledon tennis courts, football goals, aircraft cargo holds and even the space shuttle have been supplied.

The next AHS evening, on 4th March, will focus on The History of Seaton Tramway'. Non-members are welcome.

AXE RIVER

MEMBERS of Axe River WI were given a talk by Lesley McGowan on her cruise around Antarctica, including her visit to the Falkland Islands, it's wildlife and the dangers of black icebergs, as well as being able to view pictures of her trip.

Members viewed the competition 'Pictures of snow scenes in any form' before further business.

The next meeting is on Tuesday, March 17th, 7.30-9.30pm at the Methodist Church Hall, Lyme Road, Axminster. The speaker is Stuart Dowle on the History of Quicke's Cheese, with samples to taste and items for sale. The exhibition is 'Unusual Kitchen Gadgets'. All welcome, contact President Ann Keane on 01297 59895 should you wish to come.

AXE VALLEY

NATIONAL Trust Axe Valley Centre held their well-attended Annual General Meeting on 11th February, with newly-appointed Chairman, Mr Dave Chumbley, presiding. New Membership Secretary Ms Beverley Perkins (01297 631801) informed members that she will be sending regular emails as well as the quarterly magazine.

John Foulkes gave a talk on the history of Dartmoor Prison, viewed through the members of his family who worked there. John took us back to the early 19th century, when the prison was built by inmates from stone quarried nearby, and the French and Americans prisoners, while conscientious objectors were interned there during World War II.

Next year's programme will include trips to Malta and Ireland as well as National Trust properties. The next talk is on 11th March by Robert Rhodes, of Dorset National Trust, on 'The Cerne Giant'. Non-members

are welcome at Colyford Memorial Hall, 2.30pm, admission £2 (including tea/coffee and biscuit). For further information see posters and local press.

THORNCOMBE

ENTHUSIAST Brian Jackson entertained Thorncombe Rail Activities Club members with a fascinating talk about the development of the smaller bits of the rail network.

He had an amazing ability to remember dates of introduction and closure, and of special events in the history of the different locations. Wartime was often the reason for changes, when halts would appear almost overnight and disappear again just as quickly.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 18th March, with a talk by Richard Hood, '20 years of watching trains in the Eastern USA'. The meeting is in Thorncombe Village Hall (TA20 4NE) and starts at 7.30 p.m. Non-members are welcome, there are refreshments, and parking is free.

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Delays to our Local Plan are 'not inevitable or acceptable'

■ I WRITE to you following your article "Further delays to district Local Plan" of February 17th.

Contrary to what council bosses say at East Devon District Council, further delays to the East Devon Local Plan are not inevitable, nor are they acceptable. The long awaited Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) report, a key ingredient to completing the final version of the Local Plan, must be made public as soon as it is available.

This must happen at the earliest opportunity so that we can complete the Local Plan as soon as possible. The public have every right to know what is in the SHMA report and how it will effect East Devon. After all, they paid for it.

If the Conservative leadership of EDDC try to withhold the SHMA report until after the May elections, we can only conclude they have something to hide from the electorate; something they do not want us to hear. We already know the Tories have behaved in an incompetent manner for over three years, we also

Advert for Conservatives

■ YOUR headline "Long-standing Conservative president retires from branch" in the *Pulman's View From Colyton* (February 25th) turns out to be not a valediction for Mr Baker, but a front page advertisement for the Conservatives.

Not only do we read about what a wonderful local branch of the Conservatives we have here, we are also left in no doubt as to how we should vote in the forthcoming elections.

You may have been reporting an annual general meeting, but your headline was disingenuous to say the least. I trust other annual general meetings of other organisations will enjoy similar coverage in the future.

DEREK HOUSE,
Colyford

know they are prepared to put East Devon's rural landscape at risk. Now we know just how contrived they are prepared to be in order to save their own skins.

The SHMA report must be published this month. Council leader Paul Diviani said: "Because of the forthcoming local and national elections, this would not appear to be a viable route to follow". That just is not true and he knows it.

What more evidence do we need to see that the East Devon Conservatives have become a spent force, clutching at straws in order to survive? Deploying desperate measures to avoid an ignoble demise. Like a crazed gambler, they bet on yet another self-indulgent policy to win them through, only to be humiliated by their lack of vision, lack of understanding and a lack of coherent leadership. I suggest they need a well-earned rest; time to reflect on why they have become so out of touch with East Devon's vision.

In the meantime, East Devon needs a sea change for the better. We have to put East Devon first at our district council, not party politics. We must make East Devon District Council a democratic arena where the hopes and aspirations of us all are championed, not just an elite few who quite frankly, hold the rest of us, even their own party members and councillors, in contempt.

The change can happen; East Devon can make it happen. As things look now, there should be in excess of 40 independent candidates standing across East Devon, giving people the chance to vote for a real change.

So if people really care about East Devon's future, I challenge each of your readers to prove it. Support the independent candidates across East Devon. Put East Devon first and vote for change. Together we can do so much better than this and East Devon deserves it.

COUNCILLOR BEN INGHAM,
Leader of East Devon Alliance

Don't blame Hugo!

■ WHILE Lefty Anglican Bishops and mischievous *Daily Telegraph* reporters conspire together to undermine British political traditions, our current MP Hugo Swire surely has the right to expect support from within his own Party.

But last month the Conservative leader of East Devon District Council was accusing him of electioneering; and this month the Conservative leader and deputy leader of Devon County Council were supporting the independent Claire Wright in her criticism of Westminster's huge cuts in local government budgets.

It is scarcely fair to blame our MP for funding decisions made by the Coalition. After all, according to his website, he has not made a parliamentary speech on this or any other subject. Of course, he has to vote in favour of whatever legislation is proposed by his party but he should not be thought of as doing so out of conviction. He is surely to be commended for his blindly loyal claim that a 13.4 per cent cut is in reality a 0.6 per cent increase.

How can our MP be held responsible for failures in local government? If, over the years, EDDC has failed to deliver a local plan, a shoreline strategy, a beach management plan, a traffic plan, a sustainable development policy or affordable housing, that is surely not the fault of our MP, whose primary task must be to support international corporations. If his job depends

on uttering some mild criticisms after five years of silence, his party colleagues should not over-react.

He is in a very difficult position. If not re-elected he will face redundancy, as will his secretary and wife. He might find alternative employment as an auctioneer, but it is not a secure career. There are enough families on benefits in Devon already without adding to their number.

Fortunately, Conservative Central Office has seen this danger and recently supplied our constituency with special emergency funds from Westminster to shuffle shingle on Sidmouth beach and to open a temporary weekend doctors' surgery in Honiton. The re-election of our current MP must now be a near certainty.

He cannot be responsible for the national planning policy framework disaster, nor for the closure of Devon's youth centres, women's refuges, community hospitals and libraries nor for the collapse of our NHS budget, road repair programme and bus-services. As UKIP has shown, this is all the fault of the EU.

It is naive of Claire Wright to suggest that what East Devon needs is open, accountable, accessible, competent, honest representatives who will hear and act with courage on local people's real concerns at District, County and national level.

ROBERT CRICK,
Sidmouth

Closing community hospitals is 'shortsighted fix'

■ I HAVE been following the continuing saga of Axminster Hospital and I would like to point out the serious bed situation that has arisen again in Cornwall through the shortsightedness of closing local hospitals, which took patients from the Royal Cornwall Hospital to relieve pressure.

I feel the same situation could arise in Devon very easily. The above has been caused by the shortsighted

decision to close many nursing homes and local hospitals taken by local authorities – a very shortsighted fix.

I have worked in hospitals for many years so I have some idea of how things work.

BRIAN HARDING,
Kilmington

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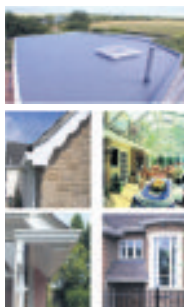
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Fire crews fight Offwell blaze

FIRE crews from across East Devon were called upon to help tackle a major blaze at a listed building near Honiton last week.

Crews struggled to bring the blaze at Bishops Tower, Offwell, under control for around seven hours on Friday afternoon.

A total of 11 teams, including a support unit from Totnes, were at the scene, and some were still fighting the blaze in the early hours of Saturday morning.

Firefighters from Honiton, Colyton and Axminster were first to arrive at around 1.30pm, but soon requested further assistance from teams in Sidmouth and Exeter.

Four more appliances were called for, as well as a team from Western Power, just after 3pm, to help bring the blaze under control.

Crews from Ottery St Mary, Seaton, Culmpton and another from Exeter

arrived at the scene, where the building was still ablaze.

It took around two hours for crews to confirm that the occupants of the house had been safely removed, but it is understood that no one was injured during the fire.

Four crews remained at the scene into the evening to dampen down the building using specialist equipment, and the Devon and Somerset Fire Service confirmed on Saturday morning that all appliances had left by the early hours of the morning.

A spokesperson for the service said the roof of the building had been "50 per cent damaged", with smoke and water damage to parts of the house.

He added: "A total of nine breathing apparatus wearers, two main jets and two hose reel jets were used over a long period of time to extinguish this fire. The cause has been found to be accidental."

Annual safety meeting next month

MEMBERS of the public are invited to the annual meeting of East and Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership.

The topic this year will be Keeping People Safe – and there will be presentations and displays from a number of

agencies. The meeting, which is free of charge, will be followed by a buffet lunch.

It will take place in Broadclyst Victory Hall on Wednesday April 8th, commencing at 9.30am.

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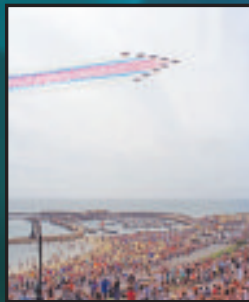
Community Safety and Anti Social Behaviour co-ordinator Gerry Moore said: "Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis."



■ EAST Devon MP Hugo Swire has paid a visit to the Honiton headquarters of Devon Freewheelers, a charity courier service with 50 volunteer drivers who deliver blood, samples, medication and breast milk to NHS hospitals throughout Devon. Mr Swire said: "It was a pleasure to meet with the Devon Freewheelers volunteers and to talk to them about the service which they provide around Devon. The crucial work which the volunteers so selflessly carry out is truly humbling and I will continue to do all that I can to support them."

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Increase in district electoral roll numbers

EAST Devon District Council's new doorstep canvassing routine has swelled its electoral register by five per cent, the second highest in England and Wales in terms of percentage.

The council came in for heavy criticism when the Electoral Commission said it fell short of canvassing requirements to register households in person ahead of changes to the registration format in June last year.

A member of the Political and Constitutional Reform Committee in the House of Commons went as far as accusing EDDC chief executive and electoral registration officer Mark Williams of breaking the law because there had been no doorstep canvassing since 2010.

It was claimed that about 6,000 voters had come off the electoral register as a result.

Mr Williams said that methods other than doorstep canvassing had been used, but assured committee members that a doorstep canvassing was being assembled.

An Electoral Commission report named

Analysis of the December 2014 Electoral Registers in England and Wales reveals that EDDC's electoral register stands at 102,345 – a five per cent increase compared to June 2014.

The increase was noted in the report, which said: "In East Devon there has been an increase in the number of entries on the register. The electoral registration officer has

attributed this to the success of making visits to non-responding properties and individuals, which were carried out across the area in 2014 for the first time since 2010."

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home.

The return of children to the family home continued on this day throughout the Victorian period, as those who worked as domestic servants or apprentices were given the day off to show appreciation to their mother. While the children made the journey back to their family home they would pick wild flowers that grew along the country lanes as a small gift to present to their mother, which started the tradition to give mothers presents on this day.



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Seaton Town Council backs library youth group

A SPLIT Seaton Town Council agreed to give Seaton Library Youth Group a £1,069 grant.

The application was for £2,500, but the town council only had £1,069 left in the grants account. Councillors were all supportive of the group's work, but some expressed concern for a number of reasons.

Councillor Heather Sanham, for example, said: "I take my hat off to the people who run the activities, but I'm a bit concerned that the town council seems to be pretty much the sole provider for the facility to continue."

She also said the application indicated that much of the grant would be used for salaries, which the town council shouldn't provide grants for.

Councillor John Meakin pointed out that the library is a Devon County Council (DCC) facility. Referring to DCC's closure of its Seaton youth club,

Councillor Meakin said: "They have got away with murder."

Councillor Sharon Bruce suggested a compromise of giving a £500 grant. Councillor Peter Burrows joined the debate by saying: "The likelihood of DCC providing money for this is gone."

"It is a good service, and where would they [the youths] go if it was shut?"

It was eventually decided to give £1,069 but three councillors (Heather Sanham, John Meakin and Tony Woodman) voted against.

Councillor Woodman said after the meeting: "Quite simply, we can't give a grant that pays for staffing and that's exactly what they voted to do. So wrong."

Town clerk Chris Drake, however, told *Pulman's View* there is no problem and the cheque would be sent to the recipient on Friday February 27th.

Village halls boosted by community fund

VILLAGE halls in Chardstock, West Hill and Hawkchurch have scooped a combined total of £7,016 from East Devon District Council (EDDC).

The Community Building Fund offers a maximum individual amount of £5,000.

The projects receiving funding are Chardstock Village Hall (£1,156 towards replacing fire doors to reduce energy costs and increase security), West Hill Village Hall (£1,360 to help with car park resurfacing) and Hawkchurch Village Hall (£4,500 to-

wards replacing the 35-year-old kitchen).

Councillor Jim Knight, chairman of the Community Building Fund, said: "The great projects put forward by village halls within the district shows a sense of community and the willingness to keep a communal area running for the local residents."

"I am really pleased that we can keep this valuable fund going despite current financial circumstances."

A spokesperson added: "There is no money left in the fund this financial year."

When funding becomes available again, details will appear at www.new.eastdevon.gov.uk/grants-and-funding/community-buildings-fund

There was a total of £22,500 of EDDC community buildings funding available between April 2014 and April 2015.

Projects already funded this financial year are: Beer Mariner's Hall (£5,000), Axmouth Village Hall (£1,500), Dalwood Village Hall (£2,000), Marsh Green Village Hall (£3,500), Ottery Community Shop (£2,000) and Southleigh Parish Hall (£1,333).



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Diary Dates

TUESDAY MARCH 3RD

BEER: Seaton, Beer & District Branch RNLI AGM in the Function Room of the Dolphin Hotel, 7.30pm. Guest speaker from the RNLI. Raffle and light refreshments. Due to retirements the branch are seeking a Volunteer Shop Manager, and additional volunteers for the shop in Beer. For more details call 01297 23040. All welcome.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 4TH

BEER: Jurassic Jam in the long Bar at the Dolphin Hotel, Beer, EX12 3EQ. Starts 8pm through to 10.15pm. For more details contact, Andrew 01404 46451 or Adrian 01404 42288.

AXMINSTER: Free Make & Munch with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 10.30am-12.30pm. For parents and carers of children (0-18), a hands-on course of six sessions. Have fun preparing simple delicious food and enjoy eating it together. Pre-school age children welcome with parents/carers. At the Masonic Hall, South Street, Axminster. To book a place call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@half.org.uk.

SEATON: Seaton and District Men's Probus Club meeting at St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, Seaton at 10.00am when the speaker will be George Williams on 'My Time in the RAF'. New members welcome (Keith West on 01297 624374).

OTTERY ST MARY: World Book Day, celebrated at the Ottery Library with a 'Pyjama Drama' at 11.30am. An event for children aged 2-4. Featuring the popular children's book 'Guess how much I love you' by Sam McBratney. Free admission.

AXMINSTER: 'A History of Seaton Tramway'. Tonight you can travel back in time and discover how the Tramway has grown since the first tram ride on the 28th August 1970. The history, the trams, the volunteers and the staff who make it all happen. All welcome. Axminster Historical Society 19.30 The United Reform Church Hall, Chard Street, EX13 5EB

KILMINGTON: Movie screening: 'Mr Turner' (cert 12a) at the village hall, Whitford Road. Doors and bar 6.45pm, film 7.15pm. Tickets £5 in advance from Hurfords Store (village store Whitford Road), or £5.50 on the door. For more details call 01297 32335.

COLYTON: Know your antiques? Then why not come along and try your hand at an exciting 'Antiques-Call My Bluff' evening at Colyton Town Hall. Hosted by Colyton Parish History Society and presented by Bearnes Hampton & Littlewood of Exeter. Tickets £7.50 on the door or from The Little Shop, Colyton. Wine and soft drinks available. More info 01297 552460

HONITON: Photography Talk at Thelma Hulbert Gallery, to coordinate with the 'Karl Blossfeldt - Art Forms in Nature' exhibition. Talk by Justin Quinnell. £8 each, or £6 for THG friends (please quote membership number when booking). Booking essential as places are limited - call 01404 45006, visit www.thelmahulbert.com or email info@thelmahulbert.com

THURSDAY MARCH 5TH

STOCKLAND: Stockland & District Horticultural Society AGM followed by a fun quiz with wine and nibbles. At the Victory Hall, 7.30pm.

FRIDAY MARCH 6TH
UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Curry Night and Ferret Racing at Uplyme Village Hall, 7pm. Tickets £8.50 including food, from 01297 444034 or 34733. For more details visit, ulhrs@wordpress.com or call 01297 444034

SEATON: Christian Aid Coffee and Lunches for Lent in Seaton United Reform Church Hall, Cross Street, 11am-2pm. Coffee and tea £1, lunch of soup, roll, cake, tea/coffee £3.50. Everyone welcome.

SATURDAY MARCH 7TH
SIDMOUTH: Abbagirls The Band at Manor Pavilion Theatre, 7.30pm. Tickets £14.50 from the Manor Pavilion Theatre Box Office (01395 514413).

OTTERY ST MARY: Talk by Graham Hurley, best-selling local crime author, about his work. Graham has written 25 novels and many scripts for TV. At Ottery Library at 2.30pm. Tickets £2 from the library. Refreshments available.

COLYTON: Colyton Guide Association Coffee Morning, 9.30-11.30am. Cakes tombola, draw, plants. Jumble sale at 2pm. White elephants, nearly new, teas, toys, books. At Colyton Town Hall. Jumble can be taken to Guide HQ, Rosemary Lane on Monday 2nd March 4.30-6pm, or Wednesday 4th March 5.30-9pm. Also to the Town Hall on the morning of the sale. For more details call 01297 552065 or 552624.

SEATON: Seaton and Axmouth Branch of Cancer Research UK: Jumble Sale at Seaton Town Hall. Doors open 10am, to approximately 12.30pm. Entry 30p, under 14s free. Raffle, bric-a-brac, cakes and tea/coffee, linens books, clothes, toys and much more. For more details call 01297 23217.

UPLYME: Ballroom, Latin and some Sequence dancing at Uplyme Village Hall, 8pm-10.30pm. Entry £4.50 per person, in aid of hall funds. For more details call 01297 442439.

SUNDAY MARCH 8TH

Troyka trio at Vibraphonic Festival

Ground breaking UK jazz trio Troyka release their latest album, Ornithophobia, in January. Following a stellar year of festival performances including Latitude, Cheltenham, Love Supreme, Green Hours, Elb Jazz, Nattjazz, Duketown and Jazz a la Villette the

band embark on a full European tour. Multi-textured and with a wild and ground breaking style, they feature Mercury Music Prize nominee and BBC Award Winner Kit Downes on drums.

Featuring Kit Downes (once Mercury nominated in



Troyka

his own right) on Hammond/synths, Chris Montague on guitar/loops and Josh Blackmore on drums, Troyka is far more than the sum of its parts and is definitely not your usual Hammond organ trio.

Troyka play at the Exeter Phoenix as part of the Vibraphonic Festival in Exeter on Thursday, March 19th.

Tickets are £12 or £10 (concessions) plus booking fee, available at www.exeterphoenix.org.uk or call 01392 667080

Axe Valley Heritage Association talks

THE Axe Valley Heritage Association are opening their 2015 season of talks with a special event to be held at The Gateway, Seaton Town Hall, on Wednesday, March 18th at 7.30 pm. This will be a specially written illustrated talk, by Alan Nicholas, a retired lighthouse engineer and Talks Secretary of the Association. This talk called "The Rust Red Rocks of Eddystone", tells the story of the 300 plus years of the Eddystone Reef, off Plymouth, and the four lighthouses that have stood there over this period. It is a tale of construction, destruction, storms, fire, life and death on this most iconic lighthouse in our very own county.

Alan, who has first hand experience of the Eddystone light, worked for The Corporation of Trinity House, the organisation responsible for the lighthouses of England, Wales and the Channel Islands, for forty years as a Draughtsman, Engineer and Senior Manager.

The talk will be illustrated by drawings, paintings, etchings and photographs which will be shown on the big screen. It will last for

approximately 45 minutes with time for questions afterwards. Tea or coffee and biscuits will be included. Tickets will be available at The Gateway at £2.00 for AVHA members or £3.00 for non-members. All are welcome.

The season will continue on April 15th with a talk by Doug Hislop, called "Roman Seaton" which will take place at the United Reformed Church Hall in Cross Street, Seaton.

For further information please contact Alan Nicholas on 01297 792212.

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COLYFORD: Indoor Boot Sale at Colyford Memorial Hall, 9am-2pm. For more details or to book a table (£5) call 01297 23591.

MONDAY MARCH 9TH

HONITON: Honiton Art Society Meeting at Awliscombe Village Hall, 2-4pm. Critique of members work by Peter Goodhall. Visitors £2. New members and visitors very welcome.

TUESDAY MARCH 10TH

HONITON: 'Cobwebs of Fashion - Honiton Lace, a History'. Kate Strasdin, Associate Curator at the Fashion and Textile Museum at Totnes, will talk about Honiton lace and demonstrate how it is made. A National Decorative and Fine Arts Society lecture, at the Beehive, Dowell St. EX14 1LZ, at 2pm. Non-members welcome - £5 donation suggested. No booking required. For more details see www.honiton-dfas.org.uk or call 01404 45360

WEDNESDAY MARCH 11TH

SIDMOUTH: 'Piano, Poetry & Prose' - with gardens in mind Solos, duets and readings, with Joyce & Brian Hall, John McGregor & Christine Hemmingsway in aid of Sidmouth in Bloom and organ fund. At Sidholme Music Room, Elysian Fields, 3pm.

COLYFORD: National Trust, Axe Valley Centre. Mr Robert Rhodes, Countryside Manager for the National Trust will be giving an amusing presentation on the Cerne Giant at 2.30pm at The Memorial Hall, Colyford admission £2.00 for nonmembers (including tea and biscuit).

THURSDAY MARCH 12TH

SEATON: Seaton Garden Club monthly meeting now at new venue: Masonic Hall, Queen Street, adjacent to John Woods Estate Agents at 2.30pm until 4pm. Illustrated talk by Jenny Short, "Perfect Partners" (Planting Combinations) and there will be plants for sale. Visitors welcome Charge £2 to include refreshments. Call 01297 24049 for more details.

FRIDAY MARCH 13TH

AXMINSTER: Cooking Demo For Parents/Carers with children by HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families) 10.30-12.00noon. Need new ideas to keep meal times interesting, healthy and on a budget? Come to our FREE healthy cooking demonstrations covering nutritional advice and cooking hints and tips for parents and carers with children. At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@half.org.uk.

SATURDAY MARCH 14TH

BEER: Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Show - Byron Jones, the Welsh Wizard, returns for a great musical afternoon. Everyone is welcome at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer at 2.00pm. Admission is £7.00 at the door to include interval refreshments. Further info phone 01297 24892 or visit www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk.

COLYTON: Colyton Town Hall open 10am. Coffee Morning and Table Tops at £5 for Colyton Thursdays Club. Books Cakes, Gifts, Good clothes rail, Produce. For more info please ring Jenny 01297 553001

SUNDAY MARCH 15TH

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WEDNESDAY MARCH 18TH

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AXMINSTER: Carers Cooking Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families) 2.30-4pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations covering nutritional advice and cooking hints and tips to help make your life easier as a carer. At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@half.org.uk.

SEATON: Seaton and District Men's Probus Club meeting at St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, Seaton at 10.00am when the speaker will be David Baldock on 'Spring on the Welsh Border'. New members welcome (Keith West on 01297 624374).

HONITON: Honiton University of the Third Age will be holding their Annual General Meeting (Members only) at The Beehive, Dowell Street. Doors Open 1.30pm. Meeting: 1.45pm - 2.15pm

HONITON: Honiton University of the Third Age are holding an Open Showcase at The Beehive, Dowell Street, 2.15pm - 3.30pm. Free entry - open to all. There will be presentations and exhibitions of the activities of all our groups. A great opportunity to come and see what the U3A has to offer.

Mum's The Word

Mother's Day Treat at Seaton Tramway

SEATON Tramway, the unique visitor attraction along the beautiful River Axe, is offering every Mum who travels with a member of her family a £5.00 Seaton Tramway Gift Voucher on Mother's Day,



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Led, Love and Ladies of the Lake

ROYAL Shakespeare Company's '*Love's Labour's Won*' (Much ado about nothing) will be screened live at The Gateway this Wednesday.

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Claudio and Hero fall deeply in love, while Benedick and Beatrice reignite a more combative courtship.

Christopher Luscombe directs the second part of Shakespeare's comedy.

The screening of *Love's Labour's Won* takes place on Wednesday, March 4th. Doors open 6.30pm Performance 7.00pm. Approx running time 3hrs.

Tickets £12.50 in advance from the Box Office 01297 625699 and from the website ticket shop, or £15.00 on the door. Licensed Bar & Refreshments.

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Whole Lotta Led have always avoided using wigs and costumes, instead they focus on the music and the new five-piece line-up recreates the sounds of Led Zeppelins original studio albums to an astonishing level of accuracy.

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Whole Lotta Led play live at The Gateway on Saturday, March 7th. Doors open 7.30pm, with performance from 8pm. Tickets are £13 in advance or £16 on the door.

Joyce DiDonato and Juan Diego Flórez join forces for '*Lady of the Lake*' - a Rossini showcase of bel canto virtuosity, set in the medieval Scottish highlands.



Lady of the Lake

DiDonato is the 'lady of the lake' of the title, and Flórez is the king who relentlessly pursues her, with their vocal fireworks embellishing the tragic plot.

This Met Opera premiere production is directed by Paul Curran and conducted by Michele Mariotti.

The performance will be screened at The Gateway on Saturday, March 14th. Doors open 4.30pm Performance 4.55pm. Approx running time 3hrs 5mins.

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Her screenwriting debut was in the

form of Sky's Little Crackers, and she has recently been commissioned to write a drama script for BBC Television.

Reflecting on the good things, her latest gig celebrates her haphazard zigzag towards her dreams. She introduces us to friends, family and total strangers who have helped her on her personal Yellow Brick Road.

Shappi Khorsandi comes to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Friday, March 6th at 8pm.

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NEW PARTNER AT GREENSLADE TAYLOR HUNT

A NEW chapter has begun for Will Handel who has just been made a partner with successful Westcountry property experts Greenslade Taylor Hunt.

Will has been with the firm for 10 years, but his connection with the business is lifelong as his father, Chris Handel, was also a Partner in the business having retired from the partnership himself in 2006. Having grown up on the Devon/Somerset border and gone to school at Queen's College in Taunton Will has always had a desire to work in the area. He has had an interest in agriculture and property from an early age and it was therefore inevitable that he would follow in his father's footsteps.

"It was something I always wanted to do," said Will.

After completing a Rural Land Management degree at the Royal Agricultural College in Cirencester Will worked for national property firm Cluttons in Kent undertaking Estate Management duties for the Church Commissioners. Whilst in Kent he qualified as a Chartered Surveyor and also an Agricultural Valuer before returning to the West Country.

He set up Greenslade Taylor Hunt's agricultural office in Honiton in 2004 and has seen the office expand dramatically in that time. Initially, the office mainly sold town properties whilst today the office has a wide selection of town and village properties in addition to farms and land. Furthermore, Will also provides professional services to clients to include valuations for banks and taxation, compensation claims and has also established a reputation for his knowledge of the changing agricultural subsidy system. The office also offers a residential lettings department providing a managed or introductory service to landlords.

"The last few years, but 2014 in particular, has been tremendous for the Honiton office and our established team has been extremely busy on the agency side with



the wide portfolio of properties that we have sold ranging from flats, town houses, village properties through to land and farms. With confidence within the property market I see no reason why it will not be the same again in 2015. Furthermore, with the new Basic Payment Scheme, I am sure we will be very busy again in 2015," said Will.

His work is mainly focused in East Devon, from the coast and heading up onto the Blackdown Hills and he enjoys the variety of the job.

"There's a real cross section in the services that we provide – the marketing of different styles of properties to professional services and residential lettings which all complement each other very well," he said.

Will is also familiar to many farmers throughout the South West as an auctioneer at Sedgemoor Auction Centre where he sells stirks every Saturday.

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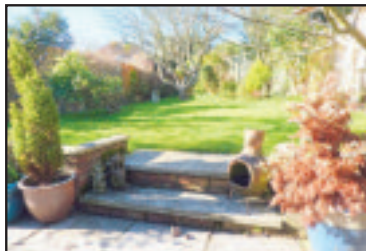
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EPC F

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Seaton



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EPC C

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Colyton



EPC C

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Colyton



NEW PRICE

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THREE ACRE CLOSE



This superb attached coachhouse is part of the 20% discounted affordable housing scheme and is therefore ideal for first time buyers who comply with the EDDC housing restriction. Offering gas fired central heating and double glazing, integral single garage, open plan lounge/diner, kitchen, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. With parking to the front and enclosed gardens to the rear. EPC TBC. £119,500

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This modern converted second floor flat benefits from gas fired central heating, double glazing and is situated in the town centre. Ideal as a first time or investment purchase. Accommodation comprises communal entrance hall, own private hallway, large lounge/dining room, kitchen with hob and oven, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. EPC TBC. £125,000

SMALLRIDGE



This substantial 5 bedroom detached home benefits from a quiet location in a sought after village situated just outside of Axminster enjoying rural valley views to the front elevation and adjoining open countryside at the rear. Accommodation comprises: Entrance Porch, spacious Reception Hall, Cloak/Shower room, Sitting room, Dining room, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility room, master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower room, 4 further Bedrooms, Bathroom, integral double Garage, private front & rear Gardens. EPC rating D. £399,950

COLYTON



Enjoying superb views over the Axe Valley this spacious 2 bedroom end terrace house has driveway alongside with ample parking, enclosed and private rear garden, benefiting from gas fired central heating and double glazing throughout comprises entrance porch with store cupboard, living room, fitted kitchen dining room conservatory extension, two large bedrooms and bathroom with electric shower. EPC TBC. £159,950

CATNIP CLOSE



This attractive stone elevation, 4 bedroom town house offers spacious versatile accommodation arranged over 3 floors with patio doors from the sitting room into the rear garden, pedestrian gate from garden leads to the garage. Accommodation comprises entrance hall with downstairs cloakroom, kitchen leads into the dining area and in turn the sitting room, under stairs cupboard, 3 bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor with master bedroom and dressing room with ensuite shower room on the second floor. £209,950

MEMBURY ROAD, AXMINSTER



Although in need of modernisation, this spacious and versatile accommodation is ideally suited to a family living in conjunction with the large gardens which are mainly to the side and front and enjoy east and south facing elevations. Situated on the western fringes of the town, yet within walking distance of the local amenities including Tesco supermarket and railway station. Accommodation comprises large entrance porch/study, hall, wet room, dual aspect living room with fireplace, family kitchen/diner, snug area, rear lobby & cloakroom, landing, 4 bedrooms, large sunny front & side gardens, single garage, greenhouse and stunning rural view. EPC: E. £199,950

TWIN COTTAGES, AXMINSTER



A pretty round fronted town centre cottage with gas central heating. Accommodation comprises entrance lobby, cloakroom, living room with dining area, kitchen, 2 bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor with the master bedroom on the second floor. Courtyard garden to the rear. EPC TBC. £195,000

PLOT 43, STREAMSIDE



This brand new mid terraced house offers entrance hall with fitted kitchen, downstairs cloakroom, lounge/diner with patio doors to the rear garden, 2 double bedrooms and bathroom on the second floor and spacious bedroom with dressing area and en suite shower room on the third floor. Gas fired central heating, double glazing, allocated parking and gardens. Prices start at £184,950

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NEW

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The application is to stage a community event playing live music, sell alcohol & food for consumption on and off the premises, provide family entertainment and raise funds for the Devon Freewheelers, a local registered charity 1138889 on 1st - 3rd May 2015

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www.eastdevon.gov.uk

A copy of the application can be viewed at the Licensing Authority's address during normal office hours.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with this application, the maximum fine on summary conviction being £5,000

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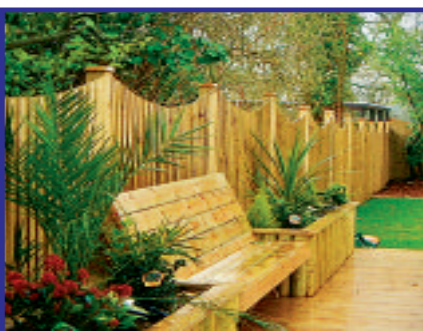
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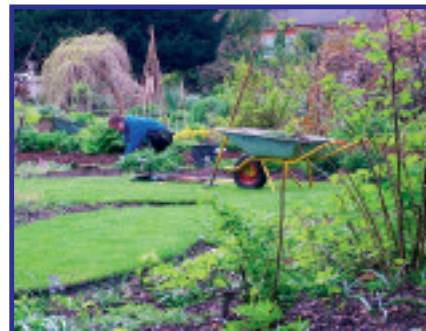


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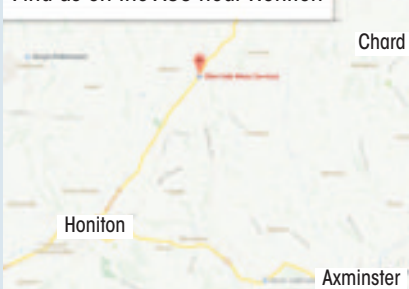
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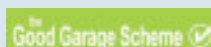


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Local football round-up

Fishermen foiled by lack of crewmen! Pitter strike sees Vikings raid Villa - Seven up Fenny fightback

SWP Division One (E)	Pld	Pts
Teignmouth	25	53
Gallopston Utd.	25	49
St Martins	24	48
Applford	22	48
Exeter University	20	44
Tavistock	21	41
Alphington	24	40
Brixham AFC	27	36
Okehampton Argyle	24	31
Liverton Utd.	27	31
SIDMOUTH TOWN	26	30
Totnes & Dartington	22	27
Plymouth Utd.	22	25
Budleigh Salterton	24	24
Credition Utd.	21	22
Newton Abbot Spurs	25	21
AXMINSTER TOWN	22	17
Exwick Villa	21	15

D&E Premier	Pld	Pts
Tiverton Town Res.	18	44
Heavitree Utd.	19	41
Feniton	17	36
Exbury Utd.	18	34
Elmore Res.	19	34
Hatherleigh Town	15	33
Thorverton	18	32
Newtown	18	32
Topsham Town	17	27
Beer Albion	21	23
Chard Town Res.	16	21
Exeter University Res.	17	20
Bow AAC	19	18
Seaton Town	21	15
Willand Rovers Res.	19	9*
Budleigh Salterton Res.	23	1

D&E Division One	Pld	Pts
Honiton Town	16	41
Newton St Cyres	17	40
Exeter University 3rds	16	36
Exwick Villa Res.	11	27
Clyst Valley	19	26
Exmouth Amateurs	17	24
Witheridge Res.	17	24
Westex Rovers	17	23
East Budleigh	22	19
Lymington	18	18
Wellington Town Res.	17	17
Alphington Res.	16	16
Bickleigh	16	14
Heavitree Utd Res.	19	12

D&E Division Two	Pld	Pts
Colyton	23	49
Exeter University 4ths	19	46
Chumleigh	20	42
Newtown Res.	21	40
Upottery	19	39
Cullompton Rangers	15	34
Sidmouth Town Res.	15	32*
Hemyock	17	20
Halwill	20	19
Dawlish Utd	17	18*
Tipton St John	17	17
Credition Utd Res.	17	17
Culm Utd.	16	14
Topsham Town Res.	20	7
Newton Poppleford	20	6*

D&E Division Three	Pld	Pts
Exmouth Town Res.	20	41
Henry's Cronies	17	42
Lyme Regis	18	39
Chagford	21	39
Woodbury	19	36
Exeter University 5ths	17	34
Clyst Valley Res.	22	25
Cheriton Fitzpaine	18	24
Tedburn St Mary	14	21
Thorverton Res.	18	15
Axminster Town Res.	21	16*
Exmouth Amateurs	20	15
Axmouth Utd	14	13
Pinhoe	22	12

D&E Division Four	Pld	Pts
Countess Wear Dynamos	22	40
Lapford	16	39
Langdon	16	35
St Martins Res.	14	34
Morchar Bishop	17	33
Bampton	19	32
Okehampton Argyle Res.	17	29*
Bow AAC Res.	19	19
Amory Park Rangers	16	16
Lords XI	17	16
Westex Rovers Res.	17	15*
Awilcombe Utd.	19	14
North Tawton	18	13
Newtown 3rds	20	10*

D&E Division Five	Pld	Pts
Ottery	24	46
Fluxton	18	39
Uplowman Athletic	19	37
Sandford	18	37
Sampford Peverell	19	36
Honiton Town Res.	17	35
Honiton Town Res.	18	27
Feniton Res.	20	24
Starcross Generals	18	19
Priory	14	18
Hatherleigh Town Res.	20	15
Winkleigh	14	14
Ilminster Town Res.	19	13
Stoke Hill	20	9

D&E Division Six	Pld	Pts
Ottery St Mary	17	40
Kentisbeare	17	40
Alphington 3rds	17	40
Newton St Cyres Res.	23	40
Beer Albion Res.	23	39
Dunkeswell Rovers	21	31
Railway Club	20	28
Woodbury Res.	19	27
Silverton	16	20
East Budleigh Res.	22	20
Exwick Village	15	19
Bradinch	24	13
Langdon Res.	17	9
Seaton Town Res.	19	6

D&E Division Seven	Pld	Pts
South Zeal Utd	13	36
Whipton & Pinhoe	13	36
Wincchester	13	36
Offwell Rangers	19	29
Hemyock Res.	18	29
Central FC	21	25
Cheriton Fitzpaine Res.	18	23
Alphington 4ths	18	22
Elmore 3rds	15	20*
Pinhoe Res.	17	18
Chagford Res.	15	18
Tivy Park Rangers	17	17
Lymington Res.	19	13*
Amory Green Rangers	17	0

D&E Division Eight	Pld	Pts
Culm Utd Res.	16	45
Wellington Town 3rds	17	42
St Martins 3rds	20	42*
Colyton Res.	19	31
Sidmouth Town 3rds	19	24
Moretonhampstead Res.	19	24
Bampton Res.	17	22
Ottery St Mary Res.	21	21
Sandford Res.	17	18
Open Space International	11	17
Bickleigh Res.	13	15
Lapford Res.	14	14
Tedburn St Mary Res.	15	9
Feniton 3rds	18	8

SOUTH-WEST PENINSULA LGE
EXWICK VILLA 1 SIDMOUTH TOWN 2
ON a heavy, sanded pitch both teams turned in a feisty performance with both ending the game with just 10 men.

Hosts Exwick showed first and took a 16th minute lead when Callum Hoares' free kick was headed home by Tom Beddow beyond the reach of debutant keeper Matt Slark.

Beddows' goal was his highpoint though as, just 12 minutes later, he was taking an early shower after head-butting Vikings' defender Mark Burdus and receiving a straight red card.

The visitors' numerical advantage lasted just two minutes as Jamal Iddi kicked out at a Villa defender off the ball and was also dismissed.

Sidmouth made three changes at the break and introduced Alex Raistrick, Matt Ogley and Will Jenkins.

The Vikings also changed their formation switching to a back three of Raistrick, Vere and Newbery.

The changes paid dividends as Sidmouth came more into the game and they equalised in the 53rd minute when Tony Cox fired low through a crowded penalty box and past Fred Tonkin in the hosts goal.

Bottom-of-the-table Villa put the Vikings under a lot of pressure, but the defensive trio held strong.

With a draw looking likely, Sidmouth striker Riki Pitter, who was manager Josh Stunell's choice as Man-of-the-Match, chased a seemingly hopeless cause, dispossessed a home defender and then let fly with a superb angled drive into the top corner.

Axminster Town had their scheduled match postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

The Tigers scheduled home game next weekend has been switched to the opponents Alphonston's Chronicles Ground while Sidmouth visit Brixham AFC - both games are 3pm ko.

◆ **AXMINSTER** have switched their home **Axminster Hospital Cup** quarter-final tie with Lyme Regis to the Seaside's Davey Fort Ground - date to be confirmed.

D&E LEAGUE REPORTS
Beer Albion 3 Hatherleigh Town 4
Premier Division
BEER Albion failed to break Hatherleigh Town's unbeaten league record after a thrilling tussle at the Furzebrake.

Disappointingly, and not for the first time this season, The Fishermen started with no substitutes.

The lack of subs became more puzzling, when news reached the Furzebrake that Beer Reserves had started their game at Seaton with three men on the bench!

Hatherleigh took the lead in the first minute, Rob Knight finishing an excellent move with an unstoppable drive into the top corner.

Beer came back strongly with Chris Long twice going close and then Andy Melville was foiled by the visiting keeper.

All these opportunities being set up by clever passes from the influential Richard Walker.

Then the play swung back to other end with the visitors hitting the bar direct from a corner and then having a goal-bound shot deflected wide.

Eventually however, Beer began to pile on the pressure and notched an equaliser when Melville slotted home from close range after good work by Walker.

After the break, Hatherleigh came out of the blocks quickly and Beer had some good fortune when on 49 minutes the visitors missed a penalty after a foul by Josh Harrison.

A couple of minutes later Beer's Melville, who had been outstanding, sus-

tained a leg injury, but because of the lack of subs, was forced to hobble on as a passenger for the rest of the game.

Then, when Harrison took a knock, the home side with just nine fit men on the park were completely overwhelmed.

The visitors took the lead on the hour through Jack Tyson and went 3-1 up on 66 minutes through Ryan Davies and a minute later made it 4-1 with a 25-yard effort from Jake Rowe was partially saved by Beer keeper Jones but trickled over the line.

Against the numerical odds Beer battled back and reduced the arrears with a great left-footed strike via the underside of the bar from MoM Walker.

Hatherleigh then became rattled and the Fishermen pulled it back to 4-3 with a late Chris Long penalty after Clode had been hacked down.

It was not quite enough however and the visitors held on to clinch the win.

Axminster Res 2 Woodbury 2
Division Three

AXMINSTER Reserves returned to action after an enforced three week break due to the weather.

They had to reverse the fixture to Withycombe Common after failing to find a local pitch to use as they are still unable to play on their new ground.

The Tigers started well, but it was Woodbury who took the lead on 15 minutes after some slack defensive play.

It stayed that way until half time. Injury then forced a reshuffle and soon after the break Ax equalised through a penalty which was put away by Matt Preece, who had dusted himself off after being brought down.

Soon after this the Tigers took the lead when Ben Vine was put tough and calmly lobbed the advancing keeper.

Axminster were now in control of the game and it was against the run of play that they conceded an equaliser which rounded off the scoring.

The Tigers' temporary management team had a special mention for Tony Pinder playing in his first senior game and, with the experience of Ben Williams in the middle of the park, were well worth their point.

Central 3 Offwell Rangers 1
Division Seven

OFFWELL Rangers' impressive good run of nine wins from 10 was dented on Saturday.

"We learnt a valuable lesson that we can't just turn up and win games, said Rangers' Player-manager Scott Phillips.

"Our usual hard work, patience and desire to be first to the ball was non-existent.

"It was probably a lesson we needed and we'll bounce back stronger for it."

Andrew Wall provided the Offwell consolation with a 30-yard scorcher.

Round-up with Collin Goodwin

TIPTON ST JOHN enjoyed the result of the day as they stunned EXETER UNIVERSITY'S fourth team 3-1 to prevent the students topping division two.

A Mark Oke double and Glenn Salter strike did the trick.

The result would have delighted UPOTTERY, who swept to a 9-0 win at NEWTON POPPLEFORD with Max McKeown getting four goals and Dan Stadden clocking a hat-trick.

FENITON climbed into the top three with a 7-2 win at NEWTOWN despite being two goals down. Former Fenny player Richard Austin and Matt Board had the home side ahead, before goals from Ben Ede (3), Charlie Selley (2) and Danny Lewis (2) turned it around.

ELMORE beat BUDLEIGH SALTERTON 5-0 but the Robins never gave up. Shaun Goff, Jonny Dawe, Callum Old,

Bradley Newberry and Adam Westbrook shared the Eagles' goals.

THORVERTON enjoyed a 5-4 humdinger against BOW AAC, whose Alex Bowden scored twice.

EXETER UNIVERSITY won 3-1 against SEATON TOWN with goals from Jowan Shainberg, Darren Ofoe and Alex Parsons.

The UNIVERSITY also closed in on the top two in division one with a 5-3 victory against CLYST VALLEY. Taylor Latham hit a hat-trick for the students.

Exwick Villa climbed into fourth place, winning 1-0 at Heavitree, a result emulated by EXMOUTH AMATEURS at ALPHINGTON, with a James Leaper goal in the 85th minute.

WESTEXE beat BICKLEIGH 2-1 with Lee Dixon and Alex Jones scoring.

Division three leaders EXMOUTH TOWN won 3-1 against AXMOUTH UNITED with 17-year-old Aaron Sowden scoring twice.

HENRY'S CRONIES kept pace winning 4-0 against the UNIVERSITY with Ryan Burrows scoring twice on his birthday.

LYME REGIS completed the double against CHERITON FITZPAINE, winning 5-0 with goals from Joe Bond (2), Mark Bailey, Lee Cleal and Dom Rowe.

Division five leaders OTTERTON overcame HALWILL 3-1, Jon Dack, Luke Iddon and Kev Pitt scoring.

UPLOWMAN went goal crazy at FENITON where they ran out 11-1 winners after being one down.

In Division six BEER RESERVES completed the double over their close rivals SEATON RESERVES in the local derby at Colyford Road.

It was a quiet affair but Beer deservedly clinched the points with two second-half goals from Robert Adkin.

Division seven leaders SOUTH ZEAL went under 4-1 at ALPHINGTON, and WELLINGTON closed up on the top two in division eight with a 6-0 thumping of OTTERTY ST MARY.

◆ THE Devon and Exeter League member clubs voted to restructure its divisions for next season at a Special General Meeting on Friday evening.

The leading reserve teams will be moved into two new divisions, and only first teams will be permitted in premier and division's one and two. Division's five to eight will not be affected.

The change is to prepare for an application for Step Seven status for the premier division.

RESULTS
Saturday, February 28th
FRESHDA DEVON & EXETER
PREMIER

Beer Albion 3, Hatherleigh Town 4.
Elmore 5, Budleigh Salterton 0.
Newtown 2, Feniton 7.
Thorverton 5, Bow AAC 4.
University 3, Seaton Town 1.

DIVISION ONE
Alphington 0, Exmouth Amats 1.
East Budleigh 3, Lymington 1.
Heavitree United 0, Exwick Villa 1.
University 5, Clyst Valley 3.
Westex Rovers 2, Bickleigh 1.

DIVISION TWO
Chumleigh 5, Newtown 0.
Dawlish Utd 3, Topsham Town 0.
Hemyock 3, Credition United 2.
Newton Poppleford 0, Upottery 9.
Tipton St John 3, University 1.

DIVISION THREE
Axminster Town 2, Woodbury 2.
Cheriton Fitzpaine 0, Lyme Regis 5.
Clyst Valley 0, Chagford 1.
Exmouth Amats 1, Thorverton 1.
Exmouth Tn 3, Axmouth Utd 1.
Henry's Cronies 4, University 0.
Tedburn St Mary 4, Pinhoe 2.

DIVISION FOUR
Bampton 4, Bow AAC 2.
Newtown 0, Lapford 4.
Okehampton 0, Countess Wear 0.
St Martins 4, Awilcombe Utd 1.
Other matches postponed

Feniton 1, Uplowman Athletic 11.
Fluxton 5, Sandford 0.
Hatherleigh Tn 4, Starcross Gen 7.
Otterton 3, Halwill 1.
Sampford Peverell 1, Honiton 4.
Winkleigh 4, Stoke Hill 3.

DIVISION SIX
Kentisbeare 4, Dunkeswell 2.
Langdon 0, Newton St Cyres 4.
Seaton Town 0, Beer Albion 2.
Woodbury 2, Bradinch 1.

DIVISION SEVEN
Alphington 4, South Zeal Utd 1.
Central 3, Offwell Rangers 1.
Chagford 2, Hemyock 3.
Lymington 1, Elmore 4.
Pinhoe 3, Wincchester 6.

DIVISION EIGHT
Feniton 1, Lapford 3.
Moretonhampstead 2, St Martins 1.
Sandford 3, Sidmouth Town 1.
Wellington Tn 6, Ottery St Mary 0.
All other matches postponed

FIXTURES
Saturday, March 7th
PREMIER

Bow AAC v Budleigh Salterton
Elmore v Tiverton Town
Feniton v Beer Albion
Hatherleigh Town v Willand Rovers
Seaton Town v Heavitree United
Sidbury United v Topsham Town
University v Thorverton

DIVISION 1
East Budleigh v Honiton Town
Exwick Villa v Lymington
Heavitree United v University
Newton St Cyres v Clyst Valley
Westex Rovers v Alphington
Witheridge v Bickleigh

DIVISION 2
Colyton v Newtown
Credition United v Hemyock
Culm United v University
Dawlish United v Sidmouth Town
Tipton St John v Halwill

DIVISION 3
Chagford v Axminster Town
Clyst Valley v Axmouth United
Pinhoe v University
Tedburn St Mary v Cheriton Fitzpaine
Thorverton v Exmouth Town
Woodbury v Lyme Regis

DIVISION 4
Amory Park Rangers v Bampton
Awilcombe United v Langdon
Countess Wear Dynamos v Lords XI
Lapford v Westex Rovers
Morchar Bishop v St Martins

DIVISION 5
Halwill v Uplowman Athletic
Honiton Town v Sampford Peverell
Ilminster Town v Hatherleigh Town
Starcross Generals v Sandford
Stoke Hill v Fluxton
Winkleigh v Priory

DIVISION 6
Alphington v Woodbury
Dunkeswell Rovers v Kentisbeare
Exwick Village v Langdon
Railway Club v Silverton

DIVISION 7
Amory Green Rovers v Pinhoe
Central v Elmore
Cheriton Fitzpaine v Offwell Rangers
Lymington v Chagford
Tivvy Park Rangers v Alphington

DIVISION 8
Bampton v Colyton
Bickleigh v Sidmouth Town
Feniton v Tedburn St Mary
Open Space International v Lapford
Ottery St Mary v Moretonhampstead

DEVON INTERMEDIATE CUP OF (Stan Wilson cup final) 2pm
Kentisbeare v Whipton & Pinhoe
GEARY CUP 2pm
Wincchester v South Zeal United

Sunday, March 8th
BILL SLEE CUP QTR FINAL
Cheriton Fitzpaine v St Martins
Sidmouth Town v Langdon or Westex Rovers

PERRY STREET LEAGUE
By Howard Larcombe

MILLWEY RISE set up a home Arthur Gage Cup semi-final against Winsham United with a 2-0 victory over neighbours Lyme Regis Bantams at the Davey Fort on Saturday.

The hosts edged the opening 40 minutes but the game was clinched in the four minute purple patch for the Rise just before the interval.

A towering header from a corner from Shane Featherstone broke the deadlock.

The lead was doubled soon after when Danny Larcombe set off on a long run from his centre-back position before lofting a pass to Terry Emmett who showed his class with a neat finish for his seventh goal of the season.

Semi-final draw: Chard Utd v Netherbury or Barrington, Millwey Rise v Winsham Utd (ties scheduled for April 4th).

Meanwhile, holders HAWKCHURCH UNITED maintained their grip on the Bill Bailey Cup with 2-0 quarter-final triumph at Chard Rangers.

Gavin Herrod opened the scoring in the 15th minute and this was followed when a free-kick from MoM Josh Short crept through a crowded penalty area and found the corner. But MILLWEY RISE RESERVES were knocked out as they were thrashed 7-0 at Merriott Dynamos.

Semi-final draw: Shepton Res v Barrington Res, South Petherton Res v Hawkchurch Utd.

FARWAY UNITED RESERVES crashed out of the Ken Hodges competition beaten 10-4 at Crewkerne Rangers Reserves. Darren Cooke (2), Steve Manvil and Kai Fletcher scored for the visitors.

The previously postponed **John Fowler Cup Final** between Hawkchurch United and Shepton Beauchamp Reserves has been rearranged for Thursday, March 12th at Bridport FC. Kick off at the St Mary's Ground is 7pm.

RESULTS - February 28th
ARTHUR GAGE CUP QF
Chard Utd 5 Forton Rangers 2
Lyme Regis Bantams 0 Millwey Rise 2
Winsham Utd

bowls round-up

Honiton in national final

HONITON with Julie Grant

TRIUMPHANT Honiton Ladies bowled their way into the final of the Yetton Plate national championship.

An emphatic 86-69 win over Essex-based Tye Green guarantees the four rinks a place in the final to be played at Nottingham on March 28th against Doncaster.

The 16 bowlers made history for Honiton in a nail-biting semi final - never before has the club reached a national final (see photo, right).

No rink lost and the top rink of the day was Rosemary Hiron, Berry Maynard, Yvonne Rayner & skip Carole Binmore.

The match was played over 21 ends and after 10 Honiton were 14 shots up but our opponents from came back to narrowly go ahead after 16 ends.

Honiton accelerated for the last part of the match and, at 18 ends were 23 shots up. They then relaxed a little but still won by 17.

The team were most grateful to their vociferous, supportive spectators and has now won five matches and are confident of success in the sixth and final game.

Meanwhile, in the friendly matches the ladies lost at AXMINSTER by just seven shots but there were two winning triples of: Judith Broom, Sharon Kenny & skip Shirley Hiscocks and Di Hawkins, Linda Gadd, & skip Ann Hillyear.

The club lost a mixed game 61-73 against RETIRED CIVIL SERVANTS but with a winning triple (26-15) of Doug Hiron, Mike Uniacke & skip Ken Clarke.

Finally, Honiton beat BOVEY TRACEY 97-62 with an outstanding win 31-9 for Linda Vince, Julia Collins, Tony Williams & skip Mike Critchley.

AXMINSTER with David Harris

THE Ladies enjoyed two matches with HONITON Ladies over the past week with one win each.

The first game at Honiton was won 53-67 by the home side with Sue Cox, Joan Quick, Alison Glyde & Margaret Crompton our only winners (23-8).

In the second game (triples) at home we came out on top 49-44 with a win for Jo Barnish, Ann Clayton & Judith Moffitt (23-16) whilst the other rinks of Phil White, Jan Parsons & Alison Glyde and Sue Rowe, Chris Todd & Margaret Crompton both lost by just one shot.

The men had an excellent 76-39 win at home against DEVON COUNTY INDOOR BOWLS ASSOCIATION VICE PRESIDENTS with wins on all rinks - Malcolm Denslow, Martin Apsey, Howard Keep & Paul Moffitt (29-9), Steven Apsey, Gerald Knott, David Harris & Brian Clark (24-9), and John Hill, Derek Pheby, Neil Solomon & Bob Sheborne (23-21).

However, in the Devon County Over 60s League the men were well beaten 63-112 by KINGSLEY with only the home rink of Arther Stone, Roger Legg, Paul Moffitt & John Gough managing a win (26-11).

In the mixed friendlies BRIDPORT got revenge for a defeat at Axminster earlier in the season with 57-91 win. We had no winners but Phil White, Morrison Brown, David Harris, and Ann Clayton were unlucky to lose by one shot on the last end.

Unfortunately, YEOVIL were unable to raise a side for our other scheduled mixed friendly fixture.

We finished the period with a round-robin competition on Captains Day which was won by Brenda Edwards for the Ladies with Doug Hislop the top Gent.

archery honiton

HONITON Lacetown's Nigel Lyon finished top of the Gents Recurve section of the recent Devon & Cornwall Archery Championship held at St Austell.

The competition was held as a 'Portsmouth' Round (60 arrows shots over 20 yards indoors).

Lyon scored 578 points (60 hits, 39 goals) to finish two clear of the second placed competitor.

cribbage honiton

RESULT: Crib Drive - February 26th (at the Honiton Inn, Awliscombe)

Winners: Beryl Iball & Dave Mahoney, Runners up: Angela Clark & Rose Sprigg.

The £160 profit collected on the night from the very generous 48 players that turned out will be added to other monies from the season's Charity Donations total.

Thanks go to hosts Ali and John at the Honiton Inn, Awliscombe.

Fixtures; Knock Out Cup

Round 1, 5th March; Feniton Soc B v Honiton Inn A, Honiton Inn B v Workingmens B, Vine Inn B v Thirsty Farmer, Workingmens A v Feniton Soc A.

Round 1, 12th March; Feniton Soc A v Workingmens A, Honiton Inn A v Feniton Soc B, Thirsty Farmer v Vine Inn B, Workingmens B v Honiton Inn B. Teams with bye to next round - Blacksmiths Arms, London Hotel, New Fountain and Vine Inn A.

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netball honiton league

Upwoman close the gap with fine victory

THE race at the top of division one got a whole lot closer with Otters' defeat at the hands of Upwoman reducing their lead to just three points.

Flamingos are three points behind with a superior goal difference, Upwoman also three points behind but with just one game left to play, and Hi Q four points behind with a game in-hand.

Upwoman started quickly and, with Hannah Reece playing well, they opened an early lead that

was extended to 17-10 by half way.

Although Liz Hayward worked hard for Otters they fell further behind to lose by 23-32.

Flamingos did their goal difference a world of good when they beat JD Tyres 38-6.

Trish Warwick was the Flamingos star whilst Sam Brunskill had a good game for the Tyres.

With Jazmin Chester once again in good form Hi Q recorded a good 37-17 win over Tip Top Trees for whom Jess Jeffery

had a fine game.

Division One	Pd	GD	Pts
Otters.....	12	156	32
Flamingos.....	12	182	29
Upwoman.....	14	152	29
Hi Q.....	11	107	28
Tip Top Trees.....	12	-222	8
JD Tyres.....	13	-375	3

SIGNS South West maintained the only 10 Signs South West maintained their 100 per cent record despite only having six players due to team illness. They were up against A&P Pixies and the first quarter was

tight with SSW holding a 11-9 lead.

They then re-jigged their six players and, with Rowan Williams having a great defensive game, they held off the Pixies to win by 31-20, despite a fine display from Rachel Edwards.

The contest for the second promotion spot is still a three way contest with just three points separating the teams in second, third and fourth places.

Second placed Otter Valley were up against third

placed Howden Hawks and started well to lead 5-3 at quarter time.

At half way it was all square and, with Charlotte Broom playing well for Otter Valley and Vicky Carnall doing well for Howden, it was close at 12-11 to Hawks going into the final period.

In the last session Hawks got into their stride to win 14-21. Sidmouth Toucans were playing bottom placed Blackdown Ladies and needing a win to maintain their promotion challenge.

The first quarter was close at 9-6 to Toucans before they moved 16-9 ahead only for Blackdown to close the gap to 14-19 before Louise Neilson at GA won the game for Sidmouth 23-15 despite good work from Nicki Snell for the Ladies.

Division Two	Pd	GD	Pts
Signs SW.....	11	193	33
Otter Valley.....	12	28	26
Howden Hawks.....	12	9	25
Sidmouth Touc.....	11	18	23
A&P Pixies.....	13	-155	14
B'down Ladies.....	11	-93	10



◆THAT'LL DO IT: Honiton's Ann Brown, Ann Hillyear and Carol Smith (white shirts) watching the last wood of their 18-16 win in the Yetton Plate semi-final (see report left).

County honours for tennis duo

SEATON Tennis Club's adult and junior performance coach Derek Blackmore was recently recognised as Devon LTA's Coach of the Year at the recent annual awards ceremony at the Buckerell Lodge in Exeter.

Talented junior Bella Brown was awarded County Colours for her services to county tennis and for her part in Devon's victory in the National Under 18s Aegon Tennis County Cup and promotion last year.



◆ACES: Seaton's Derek Blackmore and Bella Brown

skittles around the leagues

HONITON LEAGUE

RESULTS; February 25th

Div 1: Vine B 374 Honiton Inn 315, Volunteer 321 Blackboro 314, Tuckers B 384 Drewe Arms 362, Cricketers 375 Con Club A 348, Three Tuns B 399 Offwell 387, Scruffs 450 Vine Reds 438.

Div 2: Tigers Volunteers 393 Three Tuns A 413, Coasters 378 Vine 376, Shells Belles 338 Misfits 354, Raiders 363 Hillbillies 323, Woodpeckers v Tuckers A No card.

Div 3: Allsorts 312 Volliers 301, PWP 369 Bluebirds 337, Highfield Sports 323 Tothor Lot 354, Bluebelles 327 Angels 313, Winos 324 Blues 304.

Division One	Pld	Pts
Three Tuns B.....	19	28
Scruffs.....	19	26
Cricketers.....	19	22
Vine B.....	20	20
Volunteer.....	19	20
Vine Reds.....	19	19
Offwell.....	19	17
Hon Inn.....	19	16
Tuckers B.....	19	16
Blackboro.....	19	14
Hon Con A.....	19	14
Drewe Arms.....	19	14

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Three Tuns A.....	18	30
Coasters.....	17	24
Hillbillies.....	17	23
Vine A.....	17	18
Woodpeckers.....	17	17
Tigers Volunteers.....	18	15
Raiders.....	17	14
Tuckers A.....	16	13
Misfits.....	17	12
Nog Inn.....	17	12
Shells Belles.....	17	10

Division Three	Pld	Pts
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Tothor Lot.....17 34
Village Inn.....18 26
Highfield Sports.....17 22
Allsorts.....18 22
PWP.....17 18
Winos.....17 16
Blues.....18 16
Bluebelles.....17 10
Bluebirds.....17 10
Volliers.....17 10
Angels.....18 6

COLYTON LEAGUE

KO Cup semi-finals, Red Lion A v Colcombe A (at New Inn), Ship C v Lamb A (at Colcombe Castle); KO'D Cup semi-finals, Honiton Con D v Three Tuns Hammers (at Vine), Cloakham Wanderers v Beer Vikings (at Kingfisher);

Captain's Cup final (Played at Gerrard Arms); Winner - Matt Woollacott (Hon Con BTP) 60; Runner-up Sheila Davenport (Vine A) 59; Mark Enticott (Cloakham B) 58; Simon Flint (Red Lion A) 56; Charlie Hutchings (Eagle Tavern) 55; Dave Park (Seaton AFC B) 55; Gill Quick (Heathfield B) 53; Jamie Tucker (Gerrard B) 53; Roger Gibbons (White Hart B) 52; Gerald Miller (Cloakham C) 52; Tony Underdown (Gerrard A) 51; Nigel Barrett (Sidbury Lions) 50; Graham Sweetland (Sidbury Stones) 49; Brian Pike (Colcombe A) 41; Maxy French (Seaton AFC A) 25;

Div 1: Gerrard A 303 (M Bright 59) Honiton Converts 299 (D Hedditch 54); Lamb B 331 (B Dicks 61) Cloakham B 348 (M Enti-

cott 73); Hon WMC A 322 (Lolly Pye 59) Honiton Con D 370 (K Vaughn 68); Red Lion A 386 (Jo Flint, S Flint 70) Axe Con A 380; Colyton Club 367 (S Hitchcock 72) Colcombe A 345 (R Parsons 62); Vine B 363 (G Wright 66) Red Lion Cavaliers 344 (M Summers 65); New Inn A 354 (G Smith 66) Lamb A 368 (T Moore 72);

Div 2: Eagle Tavern 381 (M Jackson 79) Gerrard B 360 (G Richards 65); Volunteer A 344 (M Turner 63) Ship C 305 (N Ostler 63); Seaton Town AFC A 370 (D Nicholas 70) Mountbatten Whites 352 (T Revell 72); Winstons B 355 (R Sweetland 63) Wheelwright A 363 (C Hammett 74); Beer B 337 (J Gladstone, D Hutchings 61) Vine A 325 (G Doidge 63); Tuckers B 368 (D Gould, K Tratt 63) Sidbury Stones 367 (N Hill 67);

Div 3: Sidbury village inn 378 (S Perry, B Holland, J Pinn 65) Volunteer B 357 (S Isaac 66); Colcombe B 405 (M Bleakin 77) Beer Albion 369 (D Williams 85); Three Tuns Hammers 370 (N Hodges 73) Awliscombe Harts 382 (S Land 81); Beer Vikings 335 (S Jackson 61) Sidbury Lions 335 (J Beaton 63); Offwell A 383 (B Grant 70) Beer A 392 (M Westlake 74); White Hart B 354 (D Etherington 66) Colcombe Beerboys 381 (N Hales 69);

Div 4: Axminster Inn A 318 (G Ansty 65) Seaton AFC B 3298 (Carole Griffiths 55); Kings Arms A 360 (K Cooke 75) Tuckers C 332 (R Dare 66); Rising Sun B

372 (D Perryman 67) Kingfisher A 365 (M Rowland 65); Honiton Con BTP 343 (R Williams 64) Honiton Con A 320 (G Mills 58); Honiton Con Artists 373 (M Joslin 70) Tuckers A 421 (M Huskins, S Thomas 76);

Div 5: Seaton Bowling 328 (P Greenwood 66) Honiton WMC B 294 (W Morgan 57); Heathfield B 317 (Jenny Broom 62) Beer C 339 (Emma Westlake 67); Honiton Con B 365 (P Norman 71) Winstons A 324 (M McGarricle 59); Kingfisher B 250 (A Hurford 53) Offwell B 294 (T Hembrow, Annie Riggs, R Hembrow 51);

Division One Pld Pts
Cloakham B.....20 30
Gerrard A.....20 30
Vine B.....20 28
Axe Con A.....20 27
New Inn A.....20 22
Red Lion Cavs.....20 21
Lamb A.....20 20
Honiton Con D.....20 18
Colyton Club A.....20 17
Hon WMC A.....20 16
Lamb B.....20 14
Colcombe A.....20 13
Honiton Converts.....20 12
Red Lion A.....20 12

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Colcombe Beerboys.....	18	30
Beer Vikings.....	18	21
Offwell A.....	18	20
Colcombe B.....	18	19
Awliscombe Harts.....	18	19
Beer Albion.....	19	19
Sidbury SC A.....	19	18
Three Tuns Hammers.....	19	18
Beer sc A.....	19	17
White Hart B.....	18	16
Volunteer B.....	18	15
Cloakham C.....	18	14
Sidbury Lions.....	19	13

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Honiton Con BTP.....	17	26
Kingfisher A.....	17	22
Tuckers Arms A.....	17	22
New Inn B.....	17	20
Honiton Con Artists.....	17	18
Rising Sun A.....	17	15
Tuckers Arms C.....	18	15
Honiton Con B.....	17	14
Rising Sun B.....	17	14
Seaton AFC B.....	18	12
Axe Inn A.....	16	12
Kings Arms A.....	16	10

Division Five	Pld	Pts
Honiton Con B.....	18	30
Hon WMC B.....	18	26
Seaton Bowling.....	19	25
Winstons A.....	18	24
Heathfield A.....	17	22
Offwell Rejects.....	18	20
Ship B Shipmunks.....	18	18
Old Inn Kings.....	18	16
Kingfisher B.....	19	16
White Hart A.....	18	15
Pis B.....	18	10
Heathfield B.....	19	10
Beer sc C.....	18	4

EAST DEVON HUNT

Division One	Pld	Pts
Culm Vale.....	19	28
Blacksmiths.....	18	26
Night Owls.....	18	24
Marvels.....	19	24
Auctioneers.....	19	22

Sutton Wanderers.....	19	21
Sidford.....	17	18
Foxenhole.....	19	18
Uptonery.....	18	17
Ur Arns.....	17	16
Zulu Warriors.....	18	15
Marsh Green.....	18	11
Breakaways.....	18	10
Stags.....	19	8

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Talaton.....	16	24
A Team.....	17	22
Honiton Clyst.....	17	20
Cocks & Hens.....	14	16
Perkins Village.....	14	16
Yoyo's.....	15	16
Broadclyst.....	16	16
Tuckers Arms.....	16	16
Latecomers.....	17	16
Jack's Lads.....	15	14
Top Cats.....	16	12
Keepers.....	15	10
Blackdown Boys.....	14	4

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Axe Valley.....	17	27
Awliscombe Shoot.....	13	22
Maynards.....	14	18
Alley Cats.....	15	16
Guys & Gals.....	12	14
Bashers.....	15	14
Brooksiders.....	14	12
Goldtops.....	15	12
Bakers 8.....	13	10
Cee Dee's.....	15	10
Yetties.....	15	10
New Inn.....	15	9
Tale Nibs.....	9	8

Top Scorers; Terry Grandfield (Zulu Warriors) 94, Gary Farley (Zulu Warriors) 88, Charlie Maher & Pat Mould (both Top Cats) both 86, Roger Clarke (Blacksmiths) 85.

youth rugby honiton

Mixed fortunes in the mud

THERE were tries were aplenty when Honiton Tigers (U8s) hosted CHARD in muddy conditions at Northcote Lane on Sunday.

The hosts couldn't maintain their recent good form and only managed one win in the four matches.

Split into two teams, the first managed a thrilling 11-10 win in their opening game with hat-tricks from Robert Hennessy and Finley Backhouse. Danny Page (2), Dylan Burrough (2) and Jake Giles also crossed. Jake Carter also played while the visitors were loaned Harry Kent.

Giles scored five tries in the second game but this wasn't enough to prevent a 11-10 reverse. Hennessy (3), Burrough and Backhouse made up the tally.

Tigers' top try scorer Ewan Powers-Maguire claimed five tries in his side's opening game, a 12-13 defeat. Sam Gray (2), Harvey Hannay (2), Alfie Terry, Tyler Patch and Josias Drew were the others to cross the whitewash while Henry Devin also featured for the hosts.

Devin and Drew both scored twice in a time reduced second game.

Tagging improved but Honiton lost 6-5. Hannay scored the other try while Jake Carter, on loan to the Somerset side, scored for them.

youth football round-up

Otters fightback!

OTTERY St Mary U9s came up against two very different CITY RAIDERS teams this weekend and emerged from both encounters with huge respect.

The first game was a hugely entertaining match with both teams taking the lead.

The Otters were a little off pace during the first half but battled well and more than earned the 3-3 draw with goals from Freddie Clarke (2 - including an outstanding header) and a wonder strike from Sam Gleeson.

The second game was a different affair with the Otters having to tolerate some very aggressive treatment from the opposition.

Despite this they held their own and, despite going into half time 2-0 down, still had the determination and belief to win.

After a rousing half time talk from coach Adam Carpenter the Otters came out in the second half a changed team, more than matching the aggression they were enduring.

Two solo efforts from Ash Whitcombe and Jake Blackmore, along with a wonderfully struck volley from Jack Carpenter and an outstanding finish from Freddie Clarke saw the boys in blue walk away with a very well deserved 4-2 win.

A special mention to Jake Blackmore who endured a punishing game in defence and still came out on top and Clarke who was, as always, cool and consistent in front of goal.

MILLWEY RISE ROUND UP

U9s Exeter & District Youth League

Brixington United 2 Millwey Rise 1 (Callum Clark)

Brixington Blues 4 Millwey Rise 1 (Kayla Froom).

U10s Exeter & District Youth League East

Millwey Rise 1 (Ben Fox) Brixington Blues 1.

Friendly - Colyton Rebels 0 Millwey Rise 0.

U13 Exeter & District Youth League (Division 2)

Credition Youth 3 Millwey Rise 1 (Charlie Bye).

boules axe valley league

New teams welcome

THE League's Annual General Meeting and Registration Night will be held at Seaton FC tonight (March 3rd), starting at 7.30pm.

The £20 entry fee per team is the same as last year, and new teams are more than welcome - just turn up at the meeting.

Contact Gerard Wood on 01297 552323 if you need any further information.

running axe valley runners and honiton rc

Grizzly goes from strength to strength

Axe Valley Runners

with Dave Mutter

THE Grizzly weekend started on Saturday with the Junior Grizfest runs that were exceptionally well attended.

Following speeches from the Mayor and the Town Crier 18th keen youngsters set off.

AVR had considerable success taking the first six positions out of 44 competitors in the 4K event. Ollie Caute was the winner in 15:02 with Isabelle Beech of Colyton Grammar School the first girl 9th overall in 17:07.

Ben Franklin came 2nd, 15:33; Oliver Roger 3rd 15:59; Arun Hawkes 4th 16:12; Rumi Thompson 5th 16:26 and Ethan Day 6th 16:27.

Other AVR results were; William Watson 8th 16:59; Matt Thurgood 11th 17:33; Max Bowskill 12th 17:34; Mia Bartlett 13th 18:10; Finley Cox 21st 19:28; Christopher Watson 23rd 19:34; May Wood 26th 19:46; Ella Magrane 27th 19:47; Holly Eyne 31st 21:17; Caleb Sinclair 33rd 21:56; Richard Dodge 35th 22:33; Josh d'Albertanson 38th 23:36 and Sean Emery-Rich 42nd 26:45.

There were 174 runners in the 2K for primary aged children with Jacob Hale of Seaton Primary School winning in 8:36. Ella Shaw from Stoke Climsland School was 2nd, 8:45 and Jim Shaw 3rd, 8:47.

The Juniors running under the AVR banner were; Elsa Wood 8th, 9:13; Peter Johns 29th, 10:06; Stephen Johns 30th, 10:07; Michael Johns 81st, 12:12 and Andrew Johns 91st, 12:35.

Seaton Primary School had 34 entrants and Beer Primary School 29.

For a full list of results please go to the AVR website.

Grizzly day dawned nice and bright and for most of the race running conditions were wet and slippery.

Towards the end the heavens opened with horizontal sheet making for a torrid 45 mins.

An army of helpers were placed around the nearly 20 mile tortuous route and everyone seemed to have a tiring, but super day with 1,416 completing the full Grizzly and 446 the 10 mile cub run.

The Grizzly was won in fine style by last year's winner Ceri Rees of Wild Running in 2:17:45. He took the lead in the early stages and pulled away finishing with a classic sprint across the line.

Henry Irvine of Torbay AAC was 2nd,

2:19:56 and AVR's Matt Clist was first for the home club, 3rd overall in 2:21:55.

Clare Prosser of Wells City Harriers was the first lady home, 22nd overall in 2:38:59 with Sarah Burns-Morwood 2nd lady, 54th overall, 2:53:17 and Elizabeth Dyson of Haldon Trail Runners 3rd, 2:53:38.

There were 51 AVR finishers with Liam Roberts 4th in 2:24:50. James Green ran with Matt Clist for the first 14 miles but had to ease off near the Fountain Head and finished 6th, 2:29:27 just ahead of Tim Lenton who was 7th, 2:30:02. Other AVR results were; Patrick Devine-Wright 18th, 2:38:34; James Jackson 30th, 2:44:14; Amy Greenhalgh 63rd, 2:53:59; Lin Lascelles 68th, 2:54:40; Thomas Woodruff 69th, 2:54:48; Ian Apps 71st, 2:55:18; Martin Lascelles 73rd, 2:56:24; Rupert Pady 108th, 3:01:57; Murat James Guler 114th, 3:03:16; Clare Hansford 219th, 3:17:42; Tony Smith 230th, 3:18:29; Patrick Kinsella 232nd, 3:18:35; James Sibley 254th, 3:20:53; Eleanor Wood 300th, 3:24:53; Roger Bramley 327th, 3:28:18; Carol Austin 332nd, 3:28:54; Shaun Denslow 348th, 3:30:03; Geoff Woodward 369th, 3:31:38; Emma Kiernan 372nd, 3:31:50; Revd Simon d'Albertanson, 385th, 3:32:39; Simon Gould 431st, 3:37:53; Adele Foxwell 434th, 3:38:12; Jonathan Day 483rd, 3:41:32; Joshua Hopson 514th, 3:43:45; Holly Edwards 534th, 3:45:23; Stephen Reynolds 547th, 3:46:03; Anna McLoughlin 606th, 3:50:03; Ian Clements 607th, 3:50:04; Dan Ayling 745th, 4:00:28; Heather Lowman-Riggs 750th, 4:01:02; Keith Agland 767th, 4:02:28; Chris Hill 779th, 4:03:31; John Larcombe 853rd, 4:10:16; Mark Rose 859th, 4:11:00; Alan Morbey 865th, 4:11:30; Margaret Pearce 866th, 4:11:31; Steven MacLure 914th, 4:14:58; Richard Dodge 931st, 4:16:06; Mark Harding-Perrott 1041st, 4:25:57; Samantha Miller 1061st, 4:27:55; Sarah Herfert 1091st, 4:29:59; Jessica Tubbs 1096th, 4:30:30; Susan Tubbs 1097th, 4:30:31; Tracey Anning-Beckett 1220th, 4:48:00; Andrew Smart 1299th, 5:05:28; Angela Kerr 1371st, 5:26:31 and Martin Kerr 1392nd, 5:40:05.

Sidmouth RC's Justin Ashby was the victor in the Cub Run taking 1:06:13. Naomi Flanagan, South Devon RC was 2nd, 1:09:34 and Paul Mingay, Tiptree RR 3rd, 1:10:56.

AVR had 22 runners in this event and first home was Cameron Hill 22nd, 1:25:28.

Many faster runners are on a comeback from injury including Alex Todd 27th, 1:27:43 and Chris Keefe 28th, 1:27:44. Mark Tremlett was 54th, 1:35:51; Wayne Tooze 75th, 1:38:13; James Trewick, who ran with his sister Lizzie was 103rd, 1:42:06; Gavin Warren 118th, 1:45:20; Yvette Hill 178th, 1:52:24; Gillian Peach 179th, 1:52:26; Kay d'Albertanson 199th, 1:55:06; Lynn Sloman 227th, 1:59:51; Samantha Tooze 231st, 2:00:07; Claire Moles 232nd, 2:00:07; Justin Sloman 236th, 2:00:33; Susie Thoenissen 252nd, 2:03:06; Rosie Thoenissen 253rd, 2:03:07; Canny Hart 290th, 2:06:01; Fiona Pyle 291st, 2:06:02; Kirstin Harwood 293rd, 2:06:15; Gillian Day 323rd, 2:10:45; Janet Woodward 324th, 2:10:47 and Craig Tiley 349th, 2:15:20.

As well as those AVR's running, many were helping out with all the work required to stage this iconic event so superbly organised by Dave Thomas and his committee.

Thanks to them and race sponsors; *Scimitar, East Devon Sports Therapy & General Injury Clinic, Everys Solicitors, Tesco, Photo-fit.net, Axminster Tools, SAK Logistics, Quicks Engineering (SW) Ltd, Axminster, East Devon District Council, Devon County Council and Axe Skip Hire.*

Honiton RC with Judy Davey

HONITON Running Club had a fantastic turnout the Grizzly and Cub runs last Sunday.

Ian Stewart led the Honiton runners home for the nearly 20 mile Grizzly followed by Ben Stone who came 98th in exactly the same time as last year - just within the three hour mark.

Karl Hodson followed in 125th place in 3:04. Hadleigh Davies had a great run coming 152nd in 3:10 followed by Steve Davey in 229th place in 3:18.

Julie Payne led the ladies home to come 242nd in 3:19 a fantastic effort for her first Grizzly. Tom Bornewell came 255th in 3:20 followed four places and one minute later by Judy Davey.

Paul Williams only secured his Grizzly place two weeks before the event and did well to come 310th in 3:26.

Mark Dallyn came exactly 400th in 3:34. Suzanne Spiller was next back coming 414th

in 3:36 ahead of Steve Selley who struggled from the half way mark. Steve was 430th in 3:37.

Jack Cooper only got his place 2 days earlier so was pleased to come 438th in 3:38. Julian Gigg was next in 451st place in 3:39 and Simon Spiller who had run with his wife Suzanne for most of the race came 542nd in 3:45.

Louise Crisp was next back in 599th place in 3:49 followed by Alasdair and Esme Moffett who had run together coming home in 703rd place in 3:56.

Lyn Pike stormed round the course to come 843rd in 4:09 ahead of Howard Bidmead who has been dogged by injury. He finished 867th in 4:11.

Shane and Michaela Hudd also ran together finishing 880th in 4:13. Tony Peek followed in 1008th place in 4:21 and he was followed by Joe Daly who finished 1330th in 5:10 ahead of Sharon Wells by five places and two minutes.

Some runners took the shorter option of the nine-mile Cub. Mark Andow led Honiton home coming 45th in 1:32 and he was followed by Katy Campbell who came 63rd in 1:37.

Sarah Warren was not too far behind in 74th place in 1:38. Alan Nichols finished 142nd in 1:48. Denis Costello had a good run to come 174th in 1:52. Charlotte Boyes was 248th in 2:02 and Val Hales came 316th in 2:09.

Pete Lyus ran with his daughter Jo Taylor and finished 343rd in 2:14. The Honiton line-up was completed by Sara Trumper, Tracey Hailey and Jo Lowman who all finished 410th in 2:30.

The day before saw the running of the Junior Run and the Fun Run. Honiton's Thomas Lilley took part in the junior event running well to finish 16th in 18 minutes 55 seconds.

Some of the club members youngsters took part in the fun run with Abigail Davies leading them back to come 99th in 12:49 followed by Max Spiller in 120th place in 13:32 and followed by his sister Ella who finished 165th in 16:07.

♦ KATY Campbell ran the **Malta Half Marathon** on February 23rd for the third year in a row.

The downhill course helped her take nine minutes off her PB finishing 43rd lady in 1:39:21.

rugby honiton 1st XV

Honiton fightback with gritty second-half showing

Honiton 10 Crediton 32

Tribute Cornwall/Devon

HONITON entertained high-flying Crediton on Saturday - the Mid Devon side are second in the league but on the same points as pace setters Saltash writes *Roger Dance*.

With the formbook against them, Honiton started with intent and playing up the infamous All-hallows slope they took the game to their visitors for the first ten minutes and competed well.

But they lost possession of the ball in a very good attacking position and within 30 seconds were back behind their own line as the visitors had scored a well-worked try.

They added to this almost

straight away when a defensive error gifted them their second try that was successfully converted.

With Honiton's confidence battered, Crediton showed no mercy and every mistake was punished. Before half time the hosts conceded three further tries down and trailed 32-0.

In reality Honiton had not played badly but had bumped into a ruthless well-organised outfit who punished any mistakes.

Shell shocked, Honiton had to re-group quickly as they were staring down the barrel of a huge defeat. But, with use of the slope, they dug deep and they started to get the rub of the green and with a more patient build ups, the attacks made inroads. Honiton

were soon rewarded when Andy Canniford crashed over out wide. After this score the general pattern of the half was Honiton attacking with the lion's share of possession. Crediton were solid in defence, and with a very strong boot from their fullback, Honiton were held at bay.

But in the final five minutes their spirited efforts were rewarded again when Stefan Archer crashed over.

So instead of the feared hiding Honiton actually won the second half and salvaged some pride finishing up 32-10.

There were some good individual performances from the Lacesmen. Josh Rice was singled as the Man-of-the-Match but all round

there is much work to do. Next weekend's home game against fellow strugglers Exeter Saracens is clearly going to be a crucial encounter and any support will be greatly appreciated.

Table	Pld	+/-	Pts
Saltash	21	659	98
Crediton	21	460	98
Withycombe	21	466	86
Pirates Amateurs	21	367	70
Paignton	21	124	60
Bude	21	-25	53
Bodmin	21	39	51
Falmouth	21	28	50
Hayle	21	-132	43
HONITON	21	-116	39
Exeter Saracens	21	-332	33
Old Plymouthians & M...	21	-396	31
South Molton	21	-450	9
Liskeard-Looe	21	-692	0

golf axe cliff and honiton

Jurassic Coast joy! win triple for Honiton

HONITON with Andy Wagner

Jurassic Coast Trophy

ON Tuesday Honiton Seniors entered eight pairs in the Jurassic Challenge at Lyme Regis which, due to the high winds and heavy rain, was staged over 15 holes.

Honiton won the trophy with a score of 127. They also won the longest drive (Peter Clark) and the nearest the pin (Bob Underwood).

On Friday we had 47 players taking part in the Stableford plus eclectic.

Division One was won by Dave

Maggs with 41pts ahead of Dave Morgan and Keith Lloyd both 38.

In Division Two Bob Cockett was home first with 41 followed by Garth Milard 40 and Bob Underwood 37.

AXE CLIFF with Rob Grove

Seniors' Winter League

Mick Tomes and Mick Jamieson recorded a very good 37 points and put themselves in contention for the championship.

Second and third places were divided on the countback ruling with

Phil Christmas and Rob Heard beating Neil Moorcraft and Malcolm Glass with both pairs scoring 36 points.

Mick Tomes and Gilbert Cox carded the only 2s.

The Men's section recently played their Round Eight of the Winter League with a Texas Scramble format and an allowance of 20% combined handicap.

The conditions were awful and several pairs were forced to retire. However, there were some good scores with Nigel Pritchard & Stuart

Mackie (39) beating Alan Kenworthy & Chris Glover (38). Both pairs carded the only twos of the day.

During the week the Ladies played their County Prize One which is a Bogey competition.

The conditions were good although a little damp under foot due to overnight rain and the results meant a handicap reduction for the winner, Margaret Kenchington (two shots) and second place, Caroline Bond (one shot). Helen Kenworthy was third.

darts news

Lyme Regis

Current table	Pld	Pts
Rousdon Club	14	28
Nags Head A	13	23
Nags Z	13	19
Rockpoint	12	18
Janners	13	14
Royal Standard	12	12
Four Play	13	11
Talbot Arms	13	10
Hunters Lodge	12	9
George	13	4
Cobb Arms	10	4
Half an Octopus	14	0

180s: Terry Prowse x5, Mark Barnett x4, Wayne Doble x3, R.Cross & x2, seven players x1.

Colyton

Brutton Cup

Sixes Competition

At The Dolphin:

Prelim: Beer Club 3 Dolphin 1.

QF: Kingfisher A 3 Golden Hind 0; PJs 3 Beer Club 0.

SF: PJs 3 Kingfisher A 0.

At The Vault:

QF: Seaton FC B bt Vault; Seaton FC A bt Kingfisher B.

SF: Seaton FC A 3 Seaton FC B 0.

♦ PJ's will face Seaton FC A at finals night at Beer Club on Friday, April 17th.

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◆ **INDOOR REDS:** The Honiton B team which competed in the inaugural East Devon under 12 Futsal Tournament held at Axminster Sports Hall.

Sidbury bowls singles stars



◆ **FINALISTS:** From left; Kim Wight (Ladies runner-up), Caroline Pavey (Ladies winner), Mike Nice (Mens winner) and Andy Thompson (Mens runner-up).

SIDBURY Short Mat Bowls club held the Annual Singles competition recently with eight ladies and 14 men taking part.

Players were placed in groups of four with one of six.

The games were played on a round-robin basis, giving each player three games.

At the end of the last round the men's semi final line-up was Bill Nicholls v Andy Thompson and Lawrie Frost v Mike Nice.

Both games ended in a draw, so extra ends were played and Thompson and Nice triumphant.

The final was also a very tight affair, which again it went to an

extra end, with Nice lifting the trophy.

The winners of the ladies groups were Kim Wight and Caroline Pavey.

The Final between the two was nip and tuck game until the last end when Pavey picked up three shots to clinch the win.

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